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MINUTES

—OF THE—

12th Annual Session

—OF THE—

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

(Formerly Ashe and Alleghany Baptist Association.)

—HELD WITH—

Friendship Baptist Church,

Ashe County, N. C., Sept. 27, 28, 29, 1898.

JAMES ELLER, Moderator, Berlin, N. C.

G. L. PORTER, Secretary and Treasurer, Bud, N. C.

Next Session will be held with New River Baptist Church, Weaversford, Ashe county, N. C., beginning on Tuesday before the 1st Sunday in September, 1899 and continue through Wednesday and Thursday of same week.

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PROCEEDINGS.

The Ashe Association met at Friendship Baptist church, on Tuesday at 11 a. m., Sept, 27, 1898. in its 12th Annual Session. The introductory was delivered by Eld, E. Tucker, Text, Psalms, 107:7—"And he led them forth by the right way, that they might go to a city of habitation." The Association took a recess of 60 minutes and then reassembled for business. Bro. J. H. Doughton, former Moderator, called the Association to order.

Prayer by Eld. I. M. Carter.

The list of churches was called and letters from all but Clifton and Obids were present and read by G. L. Porter and R. L. Shoaf, and a roll of delegates were made:

Apple Grove—E. Tucker, M. Miller, H. Clark, E. Grayham.

Baptist Home—J. M. Sluder. R. Lewis, L. J. Sturgill.

Beaver Creek—W. F. Goodman, J. W. Garvey, T. M. Duncan.

Bethel—J. E. Johnson.

Big Laurel—W. H. Glenn, N. Campbell, N. Stewart.

Bristol—L. McLure, E. Hughs. Thos. Day.

Brushy Fork—D. Martin, Wm. Snider.

Buffalo—S. A. Campbell, T. H. Ray.

Bethlehem—Robt. Johnson, Wm. Goodman.

Clifton—R. R. Elliotte.

Forest Home—I. M. Carter, R. L. Shoaf, J. Eller. J. T. King, H. A. Eller.

Friendship—C. A. Dickson. J. B. Burkett, T. K. Luther.

Grayson's Chapel—H. Lewis.

Healings Springs—W. Blevins, B. H. Blevins, E. Blevins.

Jefferson—C. M. Graybeal, A. Graybeal.

Landmark—W. F. Barker, G. L. Porter, W. Hurley, C. Jones, S. Blackburn.

Liberty—C. J. Carter, F. M. Eller. J. A. Pierce, G. W. Eller,

Long Branch—Owen Welch, Jas. Welch.

Mission Home—P. H. Harre, J. M. Teague.

Mt. View—J. Glenn.

Meadow View—H. Gaultney.

New River—R. C. Spence, J. A. Garvey, N. Dancy.

Obids—Not represented.

Peak Valley—Frank Sluder, G. W. Milam, W. Lewis.

Pleasant Home—R. B. Hudler, W. G. Thompson, O. Blevins.

Pleasant Hill—D. S. Blevins. James Coldiron.

Three Top—T. M. Jones, G. Eldreth.

Zion Hill—W. H. Sheets.

Brethren A. Brown and E. L. Wagoner were appointed tellers to receive the vote for offices who reports James Eller elected moderator. and G. L. Porter, secretary and treasurer, who accepted and proceeded to their respective duties.

On motion the thanks of this Association were tendered to the former officers.

The delegates form the following churches. viz: Grayson's chapel and Bethlehem presented letters asking membership with us, which after being read were received and hand of welcome extended to them by the moderator.

The articles of faith, etc., were read and the name Alleghany was dropped leaving this the Ashe Association.

Visiting and corresponding brethren report themselves and were welcomed to seats by the moderator, viz: J. H. Doughton and E. L. Wagoner, from Alleghany and Grayson Association; J. R. Brown, New River; J. H. Farthing, Threefork; J. Blevins and M. E. Simcox, Mt. Union.

The following committees were announced, on religious exercises: delegates of this church with John

Robertson and L. J. Sturgill; on resolutions, T. M. Duncan, E. F. Anderson, H. A. Eller; on finance, C. J. Carter, J. T. King, S. A. Campbell; on time, place and preacher of next session, R C. Spence, J. A. Pierce and W. G. Thompson.

Committee on religious exercises report preaching tomorrow at 11 a. m. by Elders J, H. Farthing and E. F. Anderson, and at 3 p. m., by Elders I. M. Carter and N. Campbell.

On motion agreed to adjourn 'till 9 o'clock a. m., tomorrow morning and subsequent days of session, and spend half an hour in devotional exercises and begin business at half past nine.

Prayer by N. Campbell.

Benediction by J. H. Farthing.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 28, 1898.

The Association met pursuant to adjoirnment. Spent half an hour in devotional exercises conducted by Elders P. H. Harre and others.

The Association then proceeded to business.

Proceedings of yesterday were read corrected.

The letter from Clifton was read and delegates enrolled. Bro. E. C. Woodruff form Stoney Fork, reported as a visitor, and was seated.

The report of Executive Committee was read.

Discusion by H. A. Eller, T. J. Sturgill, J. H. Doughton and Elders T. M. Duncan, E. Blevins. I. M. Carter, E. Tucker, R. L. Shoaf, W. H. Glenn, G. W. Eller, W. F. Barker, N, Campbell, moderator, M. E. Simcox and others.

All the Elders present belonging to this Association agreed to donate ten days time or as much time as they could to the mission work in the bounds of this Association and report at next session.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

To the Ashe Association.

Bear Brethren:—Your committee has the following report to make of the present state of Mission work: At the beginning of the year we were confronted by a very discouraging state of affairs,

viz.: Much destitution and urgent necessity to occupy and cultivate points previously occupied by our missionaries, with growing demands from other points in our territory for missionary labor together with the inability of the State Convention to aid the field as formerly, and to this may be added an unwillingness to maintain and push the work on the part of some of our churches. These are some of the disadvantages under which your committee and missionaries have had to labor. Consequently large plans for the extension of the work were not laid. But, we are happy to report that some work has been done. Though it has been largely through individual sacrifices. With no spirit to dictate your committee would urge the importance of our people, relieving to some extent, at least, the burdens unequally borne in this work. With no assurance of support your committee thought best to divide our territory (for convenience and expediency) into two fields and the work in each was offered to two of our own ministers, as a labor of love for the cause, more than the hope of gain, which offer was accepted by Elders T. M. Duncan and E. Blevins, the former in the south field and the latter in the north field with instructions to each to cultivate his field to the fullest extent of encouragement given by the churches and people, and we regret that this has been less than was anticipated. That you may be informed of their individul effort, we incorporate the substance of their reports to us in this report: Elder T. M Duncan began work in the south field, Noy. 13th, 1897. He reports 1000 miles traveled, 177 sermons delivered. Professed conversions 52. Religious visits 109. Aided in orgnizing 6 Sabbath Schools. One house of worship completed and two under course of construction. Organized two churches (Bethlehem and Grayson's Chapel). Kept 6 oppointments as regular as time and circumstances would allow, besides visiting all the churches in his field as often, as time would allow. He expects to close his work about Nov. the 15th, 1898. He reports our cause advanced in some localities and at a stand-still at others. Having met the strongest opposition during the past year iu his experience. He reports, received from his field $63.31.

Elder E. Blevins began work in the north field about Nov, 1st, 1897, He reports sermons delivered 106. Baptized 11. Religious visits 71. Organized 5 Sabbath Schools. One church house completed, two under course of construction. Kept four regular appointments. Looked after two out stations as much as circumstances would allow. He expects to close his work with the meeting of the State Convention. He reports the cause advanced at some points, at Pleasant Home in particular, while other localities are at a stand-still as to our work for lack of missionary labor. He thinks the work should be pushed vigorously the next year. He reports, received from his field $9.30. Your committee comes again with the information so often furnished by the same agency, that of destitution to Baptist preaching. Will we yield the territory to others or will we struggle on? By all means let us choose the latter. Your committee recommend that a strong and

united effort be made in all our churches to work our members up to a willingness to maintain and advance their work. Pardon your committee for saying that we believe if we will become willing and anxious about this work that we will find ourselves amply able to carry Baptist principles and preaching to every neighborhood in this Association, and as our boundary is now on every side by the county line, let our effort be Ashe county for Christ, the Baptist aiding. Submitted, H. A. ELLER, L. J. STURGILL, G. L. PORTER, J. J. GARVEY, Committee.

The report was adopted.

Chair announced preaching in the grove. Elders J. H. Farthing and E. F. Anderson preached to a large and attentive audience at 11 a. m.

The committee appointed at the preceding association to investigate the validity of church letter of 1897 from Threetop church report an error in inserting the names of delegates contained in said letter. Their report was received The association still holds said Threetop church in good standing.

The Association took a recess till 1:30, p. m.

Benediction by Eld. S. Blackburn.

At 1:30 the association reassembbled and proceeded to business.

In the absence of the original committee on Orphanage, Brethren G. W. Eller and J. Robertson were appointed. Committee on query from Big Laurel church, H. A. Eller and N. Campbell. Committee on colportage was supplied by W. F. Barker and J E. Johnson. Committee to name an executive committee, R. L. Shoaf, J. M. Teague. Report on Foreign missions was read and discussed by Elders T. M. Duncan and J. H. Farthing. The Association contributed $2.34 to this object. The report was adopted as follows:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The Foreign Mission work is moving on amid strong opposition. It is the Lord's work and He continues to bless it and will until all nations shall have heard of Jesus. A few years ago the prayer was for the gospel doors to be opened to the heathen. Now we see through the providence of God by men and means that is answered. To-day we have missionaries in China, Berma, Africa, India. Brazil and Japan, and still millions of souls are perishing for the "Bread of Life." Can we, who are so abundantly blessed in this gospel land, realize that we are doing our duty in this great work

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of Christianizing the "heathens?" We answer no. The angels said to the shepherds: "I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all people." Your committee advise that the pastors of the Ashe Association indoctrinate their churches on this important work of our denomination that the good work may go on until the name of Jesus shall be glorified in all the world. T. M. DUNCAN.

The Chair announced preaching in the grove.. Elders I. M Carter and N. Campbell preached to a large audience at 3 p. m.

Report on Home Missions was read and adopted without discussion.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

We your committee on Home Missions. desire to say the Home Mission Board is laboring to have the gospel preached in all destitute places in the United States, Indian Territory, District of Columbia and the Island of Cuba. The number of missionaries employed this year was 467 against 372 last year. Baptisms this year 4,739 against 4,709. Total additions to churches this year 9,509 against 9,455 last year. This board has done a grand and noble work in the spread of the gospel. But still there is almost constantly adding demands to this great work. The Board has frequently called the attention of the churches and Association to the needs of this great work In the mountain district of our country we have tried in the most impressive way we could command to awaken our churches to its pressing wants. Its value to future generations has tried to be shown. Recently a new danger threatens it. The "Mormons," whose southern headquarters are in Chattanooga, have sent 400 missionaries in this district to penetrate these mountains, find access to the homes of many of our Baptist people and are winning them away from the truth of God to the acceptance of the abomination of their Christless system. What effort are God's people willing to make to preserve from the destroying power of a moral pestilence souls of multitudes of our fellow-men. The mountain region lies in the State of Va., W. Va., Ken., Tenn., N. C. and Ga. The Board is at work in every part of thls field. Others who oppose us are at work there too and where we can find but a few hundreds to expend they are furnished with thousands, It is an unequal contest we are called to wage against the opposers of our faith. When will our brethren come to our help? Submitted. REV. W. F. BARKER and G. L. PORTER, Committee.

Report on State Missions was read and discussed by R L Shoaf, T. M. Duncan and L. J. Sturgill and was adopted as appears below:

REORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

The design or purpose of State Mission work is to give the gospel to the destite of N. C., establish churches, organize Sunday

Schools to aid weak churches and promote Christian benevolence among our people The Lord has greatly blessed us in the past. Our missionaries have preached the gospel in more than three thousand places. Many thousand souls have been converted. Near six hundred churches have been constituted during even the past twenty years. Eternity alone will reveal the far-reaching result from the work done by the State Mission Board in N. C. Yet we must not make so great a mistake as to imagine that the time is come for doing less of this kind of work; for notwithstanding the vast amount of good accomplished in the past, there are more unsaved people in N. C to-day than ever before. There are scores, yea, hundreds of places in our State in which the gospel has never been preached. The opportunity is given us, the responsibility is upon us. So let us use every effort possible to make ours a Christian State. Let us remember North Carolina belongs, to Christ and the Baptist. Our Board of Missions have at present 103 missionaries under its direcions. New fields continually being opened the harvest truly is great, the laborers comparitively few. So let us pray the Lord to send more laborers into His vineyard, and let us contribute more liberally to their support. We your committee would insist that the Ashe Association continue the State mission work more earnestly than ever before, knowing the above to be facts, and that the Lord will continue to bless our efforts in the future. R. L. SHOAF, L. J. STURGILL, Committee.

On motion suspended the regular order of business. The report on Periodicals was read; discussion by J. H. Farthing and Dr. S. L Perkins, of Baltimore, Md.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

All our churches should be strong and well informed so as to become efficient in all our church work, as a means to that end we should read good periodicals, such as the Biblical Recorder and the Foreign Mission Journal. The Recorder is the organ of the Baptists of N. C. , and should be patronized by all our churches it will inform us of the progress of all the departments of our church work in our convention, and will bring us into sympathy and hearty cooperation with missions, Orphanage, Sunday School work and the support of the pastors and indoctrinate the members in our faith and practice. J. ELLER, C. J. CARTER, Committee.

The report was adopted.

Committee on religious exercises report preaching to-morrow at 11 a. m. by Elders W. H. Glenn and E. Blevins. Committee on Time, Place and Preacher, report Time, on Tuesday before the second Sunday in Oct, 1899; Place, New River church, Ashe Co., N. C. Eld. W. H. Glenn to preach the introductory sermon and

Eld. E. Blevins, Alternate. After due consideration the time was changed to Tuesday before the 1st Sunday in Sep.. 1899. J. A. PIERCE. W. G. THOMPSON, R. C. SPENCE, Committee.

On motion, adjourned prayer by D. S. Blevins; benediction by E. Blevins.

Thursday, Sept. 29, 1898.—The Association met at 9 a. m., spent half an hour in devotional exercises conducted by Eld. N. Campbell and others. The Association then proceeded to business. The report on Temperance was read and discussed by E. Tucker, J. R. Brown. Bro. W. C. Fields, from Alleghany and Grayson Association, was recognized and accepted a seat. The discussion was continued by E. Blevins, W. C. Fields, T. M. Duncan, G. W. Eller and J. H. Farthing. The report was received.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

The sin of intemperance has and is causing more sorrow and weeping than any one sin that the Devil has introduced into this world, and we as Baptist ought to set our seal against this evil. We claim that we have thus saith the Lord for what we do, and He says, "Touch not, taste not, handle not the unclean thing." Submitted. E. TUCKER, N. CAMPBELL, Committee.

RESOLUTIONS.—In connection with the Report on Intemperance Brethren H. A. Eller and T. M. Duncan offered the following resolutions:

Seeing the encroachments upon our morals and churches made by the liquor traffic and consequent intemperance, therefore Be it Resolved, (1st), That, we covenant afresh to put forth every legitimate effort to suppress this growing evil and abstain from its use; (2nd), seeing the great destitution to Baptist preaching in our bounds, Resolved, That, we all, ministers and laymen covenant to put forth a strong and united effort to preach the gospel through our bounds; (3rd), Resolved, That, the thanks of this Association are due and are hereby tendered to its officers for the courteous and efficient manner they have conducted the business of this session; and that we return our appreciation to this church and entire community for their hospitality manifested to us at this time. H. A. ELLER, T. M. DUNCAN, Committee.

Resolutions were adopted.

The Report on Orphanage was read. Remarks by R. L. Shoaf, P. H. Harre and J R Brown.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

We have an institution at Thomasville known as the Baptist Orphanage. It was founded about 12 years ago. This institution has grown in the hearts of our people so that at present we have 300 acres of land with a number of magnificent buildings completed and an other under course of construction known as the Central Building. We have 150 orphan children there who are fed, educated, clothed and taught the useful avocations of life. It also has a printing press operated by these children and a good paper issued weekly from their own hands called "Charity and Children," at one dollar per year. Any who will contribute one dollar to this institution will get the paper free for one year. Repectfully submitted. JOHN ROBERTSON, G. W. ELLER, Committee.

The above report was adopted.

A collection of $4 18 was taken up to send Elder J. R, Brown to Baltimore. M. D , for surgical treatment.

Chair announced preaching in the grove Elders W. H. Glenn and E Blevins preached to a large and attentive audience at 11 a m

The association still continued business.

The report on Education was read. Remarks by E. L. Wagoner. W. C. Fields. The report was adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

The committee wishes to emphasize the importance of the acquisition of the best education by those who propose to enter the ministry. For the purpose of a preparatory school we heartily recommend to the people Whitehead Academy, Whitehead, Alleghany Co., N. C., under the principalship of Prof. E. Leff Wagoner. To those who seek a college education, we recommed Wake Forest and those who desire to pursue a theological course, we recommend the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville. We strongly urgeour churches to support by sympaty and patronage our educational institutions. JOHN J. GARVEY.

The report on Colportage was read. Remarks by W. F. Barker, T. M. Duncan, J. H. Farthing, R. L Shoaf, H. A. Eller, L J. Sturgill The report was adopted.

The Colportage is one of very great importance, especially in this mountain section. There are so many of our people destitute of religious literature—and some of the word of the Lord. We recommend that this Association put one or two active brethren in the fiield. W. F. BARKER, J. E. JOHNSTON, Committee.

On motion it was agreed to instruct the Executive Committee to secure two colporteurs in the bounds of this

association.

The committee to name an Executive Committee report H. A. Eller. L. J. Sturgili, A. N. Johnson, J. J. Garvey and A. E. Graybeal as an Executive Committee. The above report was received.

The query asked by Big Laurel church was read and answered as follows: Query. Is it right to receive members by application from other churches that could get letters of dismission? Answer. We think it best to get letters when practicable.—H A. ELLER. Committee.

The following report on Finance was submitted by the undersigned committee which was adopted.

FINANCE.

Your committee report:

Received for State Missions	$0.50
" " Home "	00
" " Foreign "	.15
" " Orphanage	2 75
" " Colportage	.85
" " Minute Fund	20.68
Total	$24.93

(Signed), C. J. CARTER, S. A. CAMPBELL, J. T. KING, Com.

The chair announced the following standing committees:

Foreign Missions—H. A Eller, J. A Pierce.

Home Missions—Elihu Tucker, G. W. Eller.

State Missions—T. M. Duncan, E. Blevins.

Temperance—W H. Glenn, Newel Stuart.

Ministerial Education—I. M Carter, P. H. Haffre.

Colportage—J J. Garvey, S. Blackburn.

Periodicals—E Phillips, W. G. Thompson.

On motion the chair was elected a member of the Board of Missions, State of N. C., for this association, and 59 cents was raised with the $3 01 left over from last year to be used in defraying his traveling expenses in attending the meeting of said board.

On motion the Secretary was instructed to expend the minute fund in hand in getting out and distributing the minutes after retaining five dollars for his services.

Below is a list of the amount the churches agreed to raise for the support of a missionary in the bounds of

this association for 1899: Apple Grove, $10. Baptist Home, $5. Bethel, $5. Big Laurel, $2 50 Beaver Creek, $5. Bristol, $2. Brushy Fork, $2.50. Buffalo, $2 50 Clifton, $2. Forest Home, $10. Friendship, $2.50. Healing Springs, $1. Jefferson, $3. Landmark, $5. Liberty, $2. Long Branch, $3. Mission Home, $5. Mt. View, $2.50 Meadow Niew, $5. Rew River, $5. Peak Valley, $2 50. Pleasant Home, $4. Pleasant Hill, $2. Three Top, $1. (paid to Treas.) Zion Hill, $2. Bethlehem, $2. Grayson's Chapel, $5.

REPORT OF TREASURER FOR 1898.

Receipts.—Recieved from Committee on Finance as follows:

For State Missions	$0.50
" Foreign "	.15
" Orphanage	2 75
" Colportage	.85
"Foreign Missions (from a collection)	2 34
Total	$6.59
For Minute Fund	20.68
Total Amt. Received	$27 27

Disbursments.—Mailed to J. D. Bonshall, Raleigh, N. C., for the different objects, $6.59

Expended for Printing, Postage, Stationery, etc.	15 68
Retained for services, as instructed	5.00
Total Amt. Expended	$27.27

There is in my hands $3 60 contributed to be used by the member of the Board of Missions in traveling to the meeting of the Board. There is also $1 00 in my hands to pay to a Missionary in the bounds of this territory for 1899. G. L. PORTER, Treasurer.

On motion adjourned to time and place, before named. The Assocation united in prayer led by Eld. J. H. Farthing and also sang a hymn giving to one another the parting hand. Benediction by Eld. E. Tucker. Thus passed another very pleasant and harmonious session. J. ELLER, Mod., G. L. PORTER, Sec

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	POSTOFFICE.		ADDED		DISMISSED.			MEMBERSHIP		
			By Baptism.	By L't'r. Application and Restoration.	By Letter	Deceased	Excluded.	Males	Females	Total
Apple Grove	Weasel	N. C.	4	2	2	2		46	75	121
Baptist Home	Solitude	"	1	2	2		4	12	24	36
Bethel	Nettle Knob	"	4	3	5		1	39	55	94
Bethlehem	Baldwin	"	1					3	4	7
Beaver Creek	Beaver Creek	"		2	2		1	10	10	20
Big Laurel	Thaxton	"			3			9	9	18
Bristol	Jefferson	"	3	6	1	1	1	12	24	36
Brushy Fork	Wheeler	"	9		1			27	48	75
Buffalo	Three Top	"		1	1	1		30	58	88
Clifton	Clifton	"		1	1			12	9	22
Forest Home	Berlin	"	3	1	1			19	19	38
Friendship	Idol	"	1	1			2	15	34	49
Grayson's Ch.	Fig	"	5					5	3	8
Heal'g Springs	Crumpler	"	5		2	2		37	45	82
Jefferson	Jefferson	"						16	13	29
Landmark	Bud	"	5	1			5	42	66	108
Liberty	Silas Creek	"			7			13	12	25
Long Branch	Ashly	"			2		3	12	10	22
Mission Home	Gap Creek	"	7	6	2		1	28	39	67
Mt. View	Grigsby	"	4	2	4		5	22	35	57
Meadow View	Vernon	"	1	1	5			12	10	22
New River	Weaver's Ford	"	1		2	1		26	29	55
Obids	Obids	"	No Report							
Peak Valley,	Sutherland	"	5					13	23	36
Pleasant Home	Sussex	"	2	11			1	9	12	21
Pleasant Hill	Hermitage	"	1	2	1			30	43	73
Three Top	Trout	"				2		4	7	11
Zion Hill	Wagoner	"	2					4	11	15
Total			64	41	44	9	24	507	727	1234

OTHER INFORMATION;

CHURCHES.	PASTOR.	POSTOFFICE.		CLERK.	POSTOFFICE.		Paid Pastors.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Church Build'gs.	Minute Fund.	Time of M'g (Sun)
Apple Grove	E Tucker	Bud	N. C.	M. Thompson	Weasel	N. C.	$27 55	$	$	$	$	$	1 50	2
Baptist Home	W H Glenn	Grigsby	"	L. J. Sturgill	Solitude	"	14 85	1 71					50	1
Bethel	E Blevins	Blevins	,,	J. P. Goodman	Nettle Knob	"	25 00	5 00					1 50	2
Bethlehem	Not given,			R. F. Johnson	Baldwin	"		75					50	3
Beaver Creek	Not given			J. L. Goodman	Beaver Creek	"		1 36	2 00			4 50	50	3
Big Laurel	J R Brown	Green Cove	Va.	Newell Stuart	Grigsby	"	20 25				75		50	4
Bristol	G W Eller	Grimsley	N. C	J. J. McLure	Jefferson	"	10 75	3 57					60	3
Brushy Fork	L A Wilson	Sutherland	"	David Martin	Wheeler	"	26 00	1 22					53	2
Buffalo	G W Eller	Grimsley	,,	T. H. Ray	Three Top	"							75	1
Clifton	N Campbell	Thaxton	,,	R. R. Elliott	Fig	"	5 50	50					50	
Forest Home	I M Carter	Bernice	"	H. A. Eller	Berlin	"	21 10	3 42	90	1 33			1 40	2
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Heal'g Springs	C M. Mikel	Bud	"	Willie Blevins	Crumpler	"	5 25				10		1 00	1
Jefferson	No Pastor			C. C. Graybeal	Jefferson	"							1 00	1
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CONSTITUTION OF THE ASHE ASSOCIATION.

ART. 1, This body shall be called "The Ashe Association."

2. The object of this association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more effcient work for the spread of the gospel in our bounds, and in all the world, and in this work the association will co operate with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

3. The members of this body shall be all the ordained ministers of the churches composing the Association, and three delegates from each, who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment and giv ing statistics of the membership and work of the churches.

4. At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a Moderator, a Clerk and a Treasurer, in such a way as the association may direct. The last two offices may be held by the same brother.

5. The Moderator shall preside at the meetings, preserve order, appoint committees and perform such other duties as are usually required of presiding officers.

6. The clerk shall keep a correct record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend printing and distributing to the churches these proceedings.

7. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent up to the as sociation, pay them out as the association may direct. and make report at each aunual session.

8. The association shall hold annual meetings at such times and places as may be agreed upon.

9 At each annual session there shall be appointed an executive Committee of five brethren, who shall look after the destitution in the bounds of this association and co operate with the State Mission Board of the Baptist State convention, making to the next session a report of the work done, and the general state of mission work.

10. At each annual session there shall be appointed committees to make reports at the subsequent session on the following subjects: Foreign Mistions. Home Missions, State Missions, Ministerial Education, Baptist Orphanage Periodicals, and Temperance.

11. Each annual session shall be introducod by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

12 The association will not receive or retain in permanent fellowship any church that retains in its fellowship any member who is disorderly in doctrine or practice, or who makes sells or in any way deals in ardent spirits as a beverage.

13. This Constitution may be amended by a vote of two thirds of the members present at any annual session

RULES OF ORDER.

1. Every session shall be opened and closed by prayer.
2. When the Moderator calls the association to order, every member shall at once take his seat.
3. When a member wishes to speak he shall arise and address the Moderator and not proceed until he has been recognized.
4. No member shall speak more than twice on any subject except by permission of the body, and not over fifteen minutes at a time.
5. No member shall leave the body during its session without permission of the Moderator.
6. It will be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold private conversation while the Moderator or any member is speaking.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES.

1. We believe in one only true and living God; and that there are three persons in the God head, the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, and that these three are one.
2. We believe that the Bible—the Old and New Testaments—is the word of God and the only rule of faith and practice.
3. We believe in the impotency of man and the sovereignty of God.
4. We believe that salvation is by Grace, through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.
5. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ, to be practiced only by believers in their Scriptural order.
6. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator And that only those who are thus baptized are in fellowship with the Church in feeling and doctrine should take the Lord's Supper.
7. We believe in the final perseverance of the Saints in Grace to Glory.
8. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a General judgment.
9. We believe that the existence of the righteous and of the wicked will both be of eternal duration, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

ORDER OF BUSINESS,

1, Introductory sermon. 2. Enrollment of Delegates. 3. Election of officers, 4. Reception of new churches. 5. Reading Constitution, Rules of Order, Abstract of Principles. 6. Appointment of Committees. 7. Report of Executive Committee. 8. Report of Treasurer. 9. Report of Committees. 10. Miscellaneous.

FORM OF CHURCH LETTFR FROM CHURCHES TO THE ASSOCIATION.

Clerks of the churches will please write their letters by this form.

THE.....BAPTIST CHURCH.

To the Ashe Association. Greeting:

We send as Messengers, Brethren.....

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Alternates .....

STATISTICS.

ADDED.		LOST.		MEMBERSHIP.	
Baptized	....	Dismissed by Letter	....	Males	....
Rec'd by L't'r	....	Excluded	....	Females	...
Restored	....	Died	..		
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CHURCH EXPENSES.		CONTRIBUTIONS.	
Pastor's Salary	....	State Missions	....
Incidental Expenses	...	Home Missions	....
Poor	....	Foreign Missions	....
Minute Fund	....	Education	....
Repairs	...	Colportage	....
		Orphanage	....
Total	....		
Other Objects	....	Total	....
Grand Total			....

Pastor.....P. O.....Ordained Ministers.....

P. O. .....Time of Church Meeting.....

Clerk. .....P. O.... .....

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DIRECTORY.

OFFICERS OF THE ASHE ASSOCIATION.

JAMES ELLER, Moderator, Berlin, N. C.
G. L. PORTER, Secretary & Treasurer, Bud, N. C.

STATE BOARD.

James Eller, Berlin, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

H. A. Eller, Berlin, N. C. J. D. Roberts Jefferson, N. C.
John Robertson, Dyson, N. C. Elihu Tucker, Bud, N. C.
A. N. Johnson, Nettle Knob, N. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Anderson, E. F.,	Transon, N. C.
Barker, W. F.,	Bud, N. C.
Blackburn, S.,	Bud, N. C.
Blevins, C ,	Hermitage, N. C.
Blevins, E.,	Blevins, N. C.
Carter, I. M.,	Bernice, N. C.
Campbell, N.,	Thaxton, N. C.
Caloway, J. N.,	Jefferson, N. C.
Duncan, T. M.,	Beaver Creek, N. C.
Eller, G. W.,	Jefferson, N. C.
Glenn, W. H.,	Grigsby, N. C.
Hurley, A..	Thaxton, N C.
Haire, P. H.,	Fleetwood, N. C.
Stanley, J. F.,	Solitude, N. C.
Shoaf, R. L.,	Linney, N. C.
Tucker, E.,	Bud, N. C.
Taylor, E. C ,	Jefferson, N. C.

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MINUTES

OF THE

13TH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Ashe Baptist Association,

HELD WITH

NEW RIVER CHURCH,

ASHE CO., N. C.,

September 5th, 6th, and 7th,

1899

JAMES ELLER, MODERATOR, Berlin. N. C.
G. L. PORTER, SEC. & TREAS., Bud, N. C.

Next Session will be Held With Buffalo Church, Tree Top, N. C., Beginning on Tuesday after the 1st Sunday in October, 1900; Eld. P. H. Haire to preach the Introductory, Alternate G. W. Eller, Continuing through Wednesday and Thursday of same week.

PROCEEDINGS.

The Ashe Association met at New River Baptist Church, on Tuesday, Sept. 5th, 1899, in its 13th Annual Session. The Introductory was preached by Elder E. Blevins, the regular appointee not being present. Text: Mark the 9th chapter and part of the 50th verse:

> "Have salt in yourselves and have peace one with another."

The Association took a recess of 60 minutes and then reassembled for business. The body was called to order by former Mod. The list of the Churches was called and letters from all but Grayson's Chapel. Obids and Three Top were present and read by Eld. R. L Shoaf and W. H. Gentry and a roll of Delegates was made as follows:

Apple Grove: Harvey Clark and Ambrose Clark; Baptist Home: Robert Lewis, J. M. Toliver and J M. Brown; Beaver Creek: R. H. Goodman, Calvin Thompson, C. F. Goodman and T. M. Duncan; Bethel: E. E. Phillips J. E. Johnson and J. P. Goodman; Big Laurel: Letter but no delegates; Bristol: L. F. Yates and T. J. Day, J. N. Caloway and E. C. Taylor; Brushy Fork: Stephen Osborne, Emmanuel Snyder and John Romінger; Buffalo: S. A. Campbell, Osborne Lewis and G. W. Eller; Bethlehem: R. F. Johnson; Clifton Letter but no delegates; Forest Home: Jas. Eller, M. F. Carter, I. M. Carter R.L Shoaf and H A Eller; Healing Springs: W.M. Myres, G.W.Phillips and Geo.Blevins; Jefferson: W. H. Gentry, A. E. Graybeal and J. D. Roberts; Landmark:

J. C. Denney, Henry McLure, L. M. Brinegar and W. F. Barker; Liberty: C. J. Carter and J. A. Pierce; Long Branch: James Welch; Mission Home: J. M. Teague, J. J Gentry and S. Trivitt; Mt. View: Stephen Perry and John Glenn; Meadow View: G. J. Henderson, E. D. Gaultney and J. L. Ball; New River: Marion Davis, Noah Dancy, J. A. Parsons and J. M. Neaves; Obids: Not represented; Windfall: Elihu Tucker and E. L. Tucker; Zion Hill: W. H. Sheets and E. F. Anderson.

Election of Officers.

Brethren F. B. Cheek and J. F. Fletcher were appointed as tellers to receive vote for officers, who report James Eller elected Moderator and G. L. Porter Sectary & Treasurer, who proceeded to their respective duties. Reception of new churches: the delegates from Windfall Baptist Church presented a letter asking membership with us. which after being read, was received and the hand of welcome was extended to them by the Moderator, The Articles of Faith, etc., were read by J. D. Roberts. The chair announced the following Committees: On Devotional exercises: W. H. Gentry, John Robertson with the delegates of this church; On Resolutions: R. L. Shoaf, J. D. Roberts and Wm. H. Eller; Time, Place and Preacher for Next Session: S. A. Campbell, T. J. Day, John Glenn. John Robertson and W. H. Gentry. On a request of Eld. J.F. Fletcher, the chair appointed Elders T. M. Duncan, E. Tucker and R. L. Shoaf Committee to confer with a like committee from New River and Alleghany and Grayson Associations to consider the propriety of hold a Union Meeting for the benefit of the three Associations.

The following visiting brethren report themselves and were seated with the body: Elders J. F. Fletcher,

J. R. Brown and E. W. Reedy, from New River Association; Eld. F. B. Cheek and J. M. Wagoner, from Alleghany and Grayson Association; and Eld. Wm. H. Eller, from Piedmont Association.

Committee On Devotional Exercises report preaching tonight at church by Eld. G. J. Henderson and tomorrow at 11 A. M., by Eld. J. F. Fletcher and at 3 P. M., by Eld. J. R. Brown. On motion, adjourned till tomorrow at 9 A. M. Spent 30 minutes in devotional exercises. Begin business at 9:30 A. M. Prayer by Eld. C. Blevins, benediction by Eld. Wm. H. Eller.

2nd Day—Wednesday.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment, spent 30 mintes in devotional exercises conducted by Eld. W. F. Barker. The proceedings of yesterday were read, the roll of delegates called and corrected. The chair announced the following committee: On Obituaries: I. M Carter, E. Tucker and A. Clark. On motion, the regular order of business was suspended and Home Missions was taken up and discussed by Eld. Wm. H. Eller, J. D. Roberts, J. F. Fletcher and E. W. Reedy report:

We your committee on Home Missions submit the following: Our home mission territory consists of all destitute places in the southern part of the United States, Indian Territory, District of Columbia, Islands of Cuba and Porto Rico. We desire to say that much depends upon the effort that Baptists make in this Home Mission work in regard to the dimensions of Baptist territory. The Board is at work in every part of the field. Others who oppose us are at work there too and where we find but few hundreds to spend, they are furnished with thousands. Baptists who believe that their cause is God's cause should come to the help of the Lord against the mighty in this Home Mission work. Brethren we are called to wage against the opposers of our faith. If we do not hold up our faith in those destitute places no one else will hold it up for us. The Board has tried in the most impressive way to call our attention to these facts. Let us wake up brethren, and come to the help of the Lord. Submitted. E. TUCKER, G. W. ELLER, Committee.

Said report was adopted.

The chair announced preaching at the grove. Eld. J. F. Fletcher preached to a large and attentive audience at 11 A. M. The Association still continued business. The report on Foreign Missions was read and discussed by Eld. Wm H. Eller. J. D. Roberts offered a resolution as an amendment to said report as follows:

Resolved, That, each church in accordance with the request of the Foreign Mission Board of an advance of 25 per cent. in contributions be requested to contribute at least one cent per month per member to this cause for the next year. The resolution was adopted with said report.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The Foreign Mission work of the Southern Baptist Convention embraces Italy, Brazil, Mexico, Africa, China and Japan. The three former are Papal fields and three latter are Pagan fields. Our Convention is doing mission work in all these lands and consecrated men and women from our midst are struggling to give the gospel to the perishing millions. In Papal fields we have 65 workers, and in Pagan fields 87 besides a number of natives in Japan. These all report the work as encouraging and growing demands for more workers to continue the work begun and advance the work further into heathendom. Your Committee would report a part of the report of the Foreign Mission Board to the Southern Baptist Convention at its last session: "We should praise God for the 845 baptisms on our foreign fields last year. This is by far the largest number of baptisms ever reported in connection with our work in one year. The blessings which have been poured out upon our workers have opened up new fields full of hope and call for more workers. The glorious success of this work the past year, with the large number of men and women begging to be sent to mission fields, the wide open doors and wonderful facilities for work with God's command to us constitute such a clear and ringing call as should awken every pastor, every church; and every lover of the Lord to renewed zeal and activity. God is giving us victory in a way which should cheer and strengthen every heart. Brethren let us aid in this work." Let us not be short-sighted, narrow-minded

and mean-hearted, but rather let us devise liberal things for the good of humanity and the glory of God. For from him comes the command to preach the gospel in all the world. H. A. ELLER, Committee.

The report of the Executive Committee was read and discussed by Wm. H, Eller. The Association took a recess till 1:30 P. M Benediction by Eld. R. L. Shoaf. The Association reassembled at 1:30 P. M. The report of Executive Committee was re read, discussion by H. A. Eller and J. F. Fletcher. The report as appears below, was adopted:

REPORT OF EUECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

To the Ashe Association, Dear Brethren:—Your Committee present you with a report of the present state of mission work. We regret that the work is not in as encouraging a condition as we could wish, or as we had hoped, but circumstances over which your Committee had no controll have conspired to thwart much which we had hoped and planed to accomplish. In the beginning of the year our entire field was divided into two fields, and the work was offered to Elders T. M. Duncan on the south-west of the county and Elihu Tucker on the north-east. The former accepted and began work about the 12th of Nov. The latter hesitated for more than a month and finally declined the work and the work on the field was given to Eld. W. F. Barker. And the brethren assigned to the different fields were requested to utalize the volunteer labor to the best advantage. This seemed to your Committee about all that could be done in arranging the work. A very modest amount was asked for the aid of each field from the State Board but nothing was granted. The names of three of our prominent brethren were recommended for the Colportage work, who agreed to work in the capacity, but so far as we are informed, nothing has been done. We give below the substance of the report of the missionaries appointed:

Elder T. M. Duncan reports as follows:—Begun work Nov. 12th. Had great success up to Jan. the 15th when he was stricken down with heart failure. Was unable to do any work for four months part of which time was confined to his room under medical treatment. During July and August has done a little work but suffers all the time. He reports success and much encouragement till the time of his affliction and could he have continued he believes that

much more could have been accomplished than in any previous year of his work, but did what he could under very depressing circumstances having been harder pressed to live and accomplish any thing for the Lord than in any year of his life, but counts it a privilege and a joy to sacrifice for the work. He reports: Traveled 300 miles. preached 80 sermons, professed conversions 58, organized S. S. 3, visited churches 9, religious visits 50. He reports: Received in the field $38.90, pledges yet upaid $20.

Eld. W. F. Barker began work about the 15th of Dec., has held a regular appointment at Zion Hill. has visited every church in his field from one to three times during the year. Some churches are lively and the work is to some extent progressing while others are inactive. Sermons delivered 41, miles traveld 327, religious visits 8, professed conversions 34, baptisms 23, churches organized 1, S. S. 1, received from the field $26.14, pledges by churches not paid $13,36. He regrets that more has not been accomplished, and that he could not give more time, but was compelled to work part of his time for a living for his family, the field not sustaining him. He thinks the work on the field should be continued. Your Committee need not inform you of the destitution existing in our bounds, for all know that it is here to an alarming extent. We know that we should put forth, effort sufficient to remove it. We believe that we are able under God, to do much to bring our people to Christ. Will we do it? We cannot expect others to do the work assigned us. Your committee is desirous that the work shall be pushed, but we have exhausted our resources as to plans. We urge that an expression be given by the churches, that will enable this to go forward with renewed zeal and energy. Submitted. H. A. ELLER.

The report on State Missions was taken up and discussed by Eld. T. M. Duncan. An invitation was extended by the Moderator to visiting brethren. Elders C. M. Mikel and Thomas Warren report themselves as visitors from New River Association, G. E. Blevins from Stone Mountain Association. E. E. Phillips offers a resolution as an amendment to Report on State Missions, as follows:

Resolved, That, believing in the need of the work in the bounds of our Association, we appeal to the

State Board of Missions of the Baptist State Convention for aid in prosecuting the work and that the executive committee of this Association be instructed to bring the matter before the Board. The resolution was adopted.

Discussion of State Missions was further continued by Elders E. Tucker, W. F. Barker, J. D. Roberts, E. Blevins, G. J. Henderson, C. Blevins, John Glenn, the Moderator and others. The chair announced preaching in the grove. Eld. J. R. Brown preached to a large audience at 3 P. M. The business of the Association was continued. The Report on State Missions as appears below, was adopted:

Your Committee on State Missions submits the following:

State mission work means to preach the gospel in the destitution of N. C., establish churches, organize S. S. and aid weak churches, and promote Christianity among our people. The Lord has greatly blessed the work in the past. Our missionaries have preached the gospel from the sea shore to the mountain tops and from S. C. to Va., in more than three thousand places. Five hundred of our churches exist to day as a result of State Missions, and thousands of souls have been converted. Eternity alone will reveal the work done by the Board. Notwithstanding the vast amount of work done, we must not stop now, but strive with greater energy than ever before. Let us press forward; for there is greater responsibility resting upon us now than ever before. The Western Convention coming to us and being consolidated into one body, gives more work to do. So we should take courage and press forward under the orders of our Leader, the great Head of the church, until we take N. C. for Christ. We, as Baptists, claim that we have thus saith the Lord for what we preach and teach. That being so, let us be more earnest in prayer for the kingdom to come, and then use more liberally to giving the gospel to all of our people. The State mission work has been extended to this Association in the past and has built us up to our present strength. And it is our duty to show our appreciation by helping the Board to aid other weak fields and still prosecute the work on our own field. We have now on the field 130 missionaries who are looking to the

Board for their support And the board is looking to the churches for the money There is great responsibility resting on the pastors. They should keep the State mission work before their people and also all of the work of our Convention they should preach on giving; it is a part of the gospel and no one can declare the whole cause of God without preaching on the subject of giving. T. M. DUNCAN, E. BLEVINS, Committee.

The chair announced the following standing committees:

Foreign Missions: J. D. Roberts and E. Tucker; Home Missions: E. Blevins and W. F. Barker; State Missions: R. L. Shoaf, I. M. Carter. Temperance: Charles Goodman and J. W. Garvey; Ministerial Education: G. J. Henderson and E. L. Tucker; Colportage: C. J. Carter and J. A. Price; Periodicals: D. S. Lee and A. E. Graybeal; Orphanage: H. A. Eller and John Romінger; Committee to Nominate an Executive Committee: John Robertson, M. F. Carter and S. A. Campbell.

Below is a list of the churches and the amount pledged for the next year to aid the State Mission Board:

Apple Grove, $1; Baptist Home, $2: Bethel, $5; Bethlehem, $1; Beaver Creek, $6; Bristol, $2; Brushy Fork, $2; Buffalo, $5; Forest Home $10· Friendship $2; Healing Springs, $5; Jefferson, $10; Landmark, $8.50; Liberty, $1,50; Longbranch, $2.50; Mission Home, $3; Mt. View, $1; Meadow View $6; New River, $1; Peak Valley, $2; Pleasant Home, $3; Pleasant Hill, $2; Windfall, $2. Total $83.50.

The Committee on Devotional Exercises reports preaching tonight at church by Eld. G. W. Eller and at Red Hill school house by W. F. Barker and Thomas Warren and on tomorrow at 11 A. M., by Eld. Wm. H. Eller. The Report on Temperance was read and discussed by J. D. Roberts and adopted. On motion, adjourned till tomorrow, meet at 9 A. M., spend 30 minutes in devotional exercises, then proceed to business. Prayer by Eld. E. Blevins, benediction by Eld. T. M. Duncan.

Thursday, Sept. 7th, 1899.—The Association met at 9 o'clock A. M., spent 30 minutes in devotional exercises conducted by Eld. J. R. Brown. The Association then took up the regular order of business.

The committee appointed to consider the propriety of holding a Union Meeting with New River, Alleghany and Grayson Associations, report favorable of said meeting. Said committee was reappointed to confer with a like committee from New River, Alleghany and Grayson Associations and report time and place for holding said meeting.

Committee on Finance makes the following report.

Associational Missions	$ 1.80
Orphanage	2.35
Ministerial Education	.58
Minute Fund	20.86
Total	$25.59

Repectfully submitted.
E. L. TUCKER, J. A. PIERCE, Committee.

The Report on Ministerial Education was taken up and discussed by J. D. Roberts, J. F. Fletcher. The report was adopted. Report:

We your Committee, wish to emphasize the importance of a better education, especially by those who propose to enter the ministry. There are various preparatory schools for those who seek a college education. We recommend Wake Forest College as the best place in the State to secure a college education. We recommend the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, Ky., to those who desire a Theological education. We strongly urge our churches to support by sympathy and contributions to our educational institutions. I. M. CARTER, Committee.

The regular order of business was suspended. The Report on Periodicals was taken up and discussed by Wm. H. Eller, the Moderator, T. M. Duncan, R L. Shoaf, J. R. Brown, G. J. Henderson and G. W. Eller. The report was adopted. Report:

Your Committee would recommend that our people would read more, and especially our denominational journals. Uuless we know the needs of our denomination we will care little for them. We must be informed to be useful. Therefore, let us read more

and do more for Christ and his cause. We urge the importance of all our people reading the Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children; also the Home and Foreign Mission Journals. Submitted. E. E. PHILLIPS, W. G. THOMPSON, Committee.

The committee to nominate an Executive Committee reports H. A. Eller, J. D. Roberts, John Robertson, Elihu Tucker and A. N. Johnson. Submitted. JOHN ROBERTSON, M. F. CARTER, S. A. CAMPBELL. Committee.

The Committtee on Time, Place and Preacher submit the following report, which was adopted: Report—

We your Committee on Time, Place and Preacher for next Association, report. Time: on Tuesday after the first Sunday in Oct., 1900; Place: Buffalo Church, Ashe county, N. C. Eld. P. H. Haire to preach the Introductory Sermon; Alternate, Eld. G. W. Eller. Submitted. JOHN ROBERTSON, S. A. CAMPBELL, T. J. DAY, J. G. GLENN, W. H. GENTRY, Committee.

The report on Colportage was read and discussed by R. L. Shoaf, T. M. Duncan. The report was adopted. Report:

We have an Orphanage at Thomasville, N. C., fairly equipped with buildings occupied as dwellings, with a good school building now sufficient for 165 Orphans and that many now have homes and are being educated at this Orphan home. Children from the age of 6 to 16 years who have no parents or means of support and coming from our own denominational ranks, are here received and educated, and we take pleasure in pledging of our support. W. H. ELLER, Committee

Committee on Obituaries submits the following which was adopted:

Your Committee has learned with deep regret of the death of Eld. Jacob Eller who passed away July the 22nd, 1899. Aged 67 years, 2 months and 3 days. He entered the ministry some 20 to 25 years ago, having been a member of the Baptist Church some years prior to his ministry. He leaves an exemplary life and filled an important place in his day and generation and left to us much to thank God for his noble life. He was supported in his last moments by the anchor of the soul, and passed away as we believe into rest. We bow in submission to God and extend our sympathy to his family and church. Submitted. E. TUCKER, I. M. CARTER, Com.

The Moderator was elected as a member of the Baptist State Board. The Treasurer was instructed to pay to the member of State Board the $3.75 in his

hands to defray the traveling of said member to the meeting of said Board. The Report on Resolutions was read and adopted. Report:

Your Committee on Resolutions beg leave to offer the following resolutions: Resolved, That we are gratified to record our appreciation of the uniform good order prevailing among the sessions of the Association. That our thanks are due and tendered the officers of our body for their courtesy and kindness in the discharge of their duties. That for the abundant hospitality as well as the true Christian spirit in which it has been offered by the good people of this vicinity, we are under many obligations and return our heartfelt thanks for the same. J. D. ROBERTS, W. H. ELLER, R. L. SHOAF, Committee

REPORT OF TREASURER FOR 1899.

RECEIPTS.

Received from Com. on Finance as follows:	
For Associational Missions	$ 1.80
For Orphanange	2.35
For Ministrial Education	.58
For Minute Fund	20.86
Total	$25.59

DIBURSMENTS.

Mailed to J. D. Bonshall, Raleigh, N. C., for Ministrial Education	$ .58
Mailed to Supt. of B'p't. Orphanage, Thomasville, N.C.	2.35
Paid Missionaries of Ashe Association	1.80
Expended for printing. Postage, Stationery, &c.	15.86
Retained for services, as instructed	5.00
Total Amount Expended	$25.59

The Dollar left in my hands last year for Missionary was paid to Eld. T. M. Duncan, Missionary. There is in my hands $3.75 contributed to be used by the member of Board of Missions in traveling to the meeting of the Board. G. L. PORTER, Treasurer.

The Secretary was instructed to expend the Minute Fund in hand in getting out and distributing the minutes after retaining $5 for his services.

On motion, adjourned to time and place before named. The Association united in prayer led by Eld. W. H. Eller, and sang a hymn giving to one another the parting hand. Benediction by Eld. J. F. Fletcher. Thus passed a very warm, pleasant and harmonious session.

J. ELLER. MODERATOR.
G. L PORTER, SECRETARY.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	POSTOFFICE.		By Baptism & Restoration	By Letter & Application	By Letter	Deceased	Excluded	Males	Females	Total
Apple Grove	Weasel	N C		1	23	2	3			
Baptist Home	Solitude	"			2			11	22	33
Bethel	Nettle Knob	"	1	2	4	1		38	54	92
Bethlehem	Baldwin	"		2				4	4	8
Beaver Creek	Beaver Creek	"	18	6		2		18	23	41
Big Laurel	Thaxton	"	5	1			1	10	12	22
Bristol	Jefferson	"	1			1		13	23	36
Brushy Fork	Wheeler	"	5	1		1	2	29	49	78
Buffalo	Three Top	"	14	4	1		2	33	70	103
Clifton	Clifton	"	1			1		12	9	21
Forest Home	Berlin	"	1	1				20	20	40
Friendship	Idol	"					1	13	36	49
Grayson's Ch'l	Fig	"	Not	Rep	re	se	nt	ed		
Heal'g Springs	Crumpler	"	2				1	28	35	63
Jefferson	Jefferson	"		4	2			18	11	29
Landmark	Bud	"	23	7	2	1	1	61	73	134
Liberty	Silas Creek	"			2	1		12	13	25
Long Branch	Ashley	"						12	10	22
Mission Home	Gap Creek	"		2	2			29	37	66
Mount'n View	Grigsby	"	6	2	2	2		25	38	63
Meadow View	Vernon	"	6	9				19	18	37
New River	Weaver's Ford	"	7	2				29	35	64
Obids	Obids	"								
Peak Valley	Sutherland	"	4	4	3			14	28	42
Pleasant Home	Sussex	"				1		11	21	32
Pleasant Hill	Hermitage	"	2		7		2	26	37	63
Three Top	Trout	"	Not	Rep	re	se	nt	ed		
Windfall	Weasel	"	1	3				10	10	20
Zion Hill	Wagoner	"	1				1	4	10	14
	Total		98	51	51	13	14	499	698	1197

OTHER INFORMATION.

CHURCHES.	PASTOR.	POSTOFFICE.	CLERK.	POSTOFFICE.	Paid Pastors	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Asso Missions	Orphanage	Educat'n	Minute Fund	Time of Mg (Sun)
Apple Grove	E Tucker	Bud, N. C.	A Clark	Crow N. C.	$ 6 50							$1 25	2
Baptist Home	W H Mikel	Tracy, "	L J Sturgill	Parker "								66	1
Bethel	T M Duncan	Beaver Creek, "	J. Goodman	Nettle Knob "	25 00							1 50	2
Bethlehem	"	" " "	R F Johnson	Baldwin "					3 00			50	4
Beaver Creek	P H Haire	Fleetwood, "	J L Goodman	Beaver Creek "	13 80				5 00	$1 00		60	3
Big Laurel	Not given		Newel Stuart	Grigsby "				70	1 50			40	4
Bristol	G W Eller	Jefferson, "	T J Day	Linney "	9 50				No report			50	3
Brushy Fork	T A Wilson	Sutherland, "	David Martin	Wheeler "	29 32				"			63	2
Buffalo	G W Eller	Jefferson, "	T H Ray	Tree Top "	10 50				3 25			90	1
Clifton	N Campbell	Thaxton, "	R R Elliott	Clifton "					No report	20		40	1
Forest Home	I M Carter	Bernice, "	H A Eller	Berlin "	25 00	2 18	1 16	1 48	13 65	1 28	58	2 10	2
Friendship	E Blevins	Blevins, "	R M Burkett	Idol "	9 00				1 60			75	3
Grayson's Ch'l													
Heal'g Springs	C M Mikel	Bud, "	W. H. Blevins	Crumpler "	12 07				No report			75	1
Jefferson	T M Duncan	Beaver Creek, "	C. C. Graybeal	Jefferson "					3 00			1 00	2
Landmark	E Tucker	Bud, "	L. M. Brinegar	Bud "	14 00				3 00			1 22	4
Liberty	I M Carter	Bernice, "	C. J. Carter	Eugene "	3 50				No report			50	1
Long Branch	J N Calloway	Jefferson, "	John Welch	Ashley "		10	05	10	"			25	4
Mission Home	T M Duncan	Beaver Creek, "	Wm Howell	Fleetwood "	20 00				Poor 5 00	1 00		75	1
Mount'n View	W H Glenn	Grigsby, "	James Coldiron	Grayson "	12 75				$4 50 85			65	2
Meadow View	G J Hend'rs'n	Rugby, Va.	W. H. Gaultney	Vernon "	15 73				5 30			1 00	
New River	E Tucker	Bud, N. C.	W. M. Blevins	Weaver's Ford "	10 75				3 10			1 00	1
Obids													
Peak Valley	L A Wilson	Sutherland, "	John Roberts	Dyson "	10 00							50	2
Pleasant Home	E Blevins	Blevins, "	W. G. Thompson	Sussex "	12 75				2 50			1 00	4
Pleasant Hill	J F Walton	Green Cove, Va.	V. C. Howell	Hermitage "	6 90				4 00			1 05	3
Three Top													
Windfall	E Tucker	Bud, N. C.	S. E. Thompson	Husk "	9 35							1 00	4
Zion Hill	E F Anderson	Transon, "	W. H. Sheets	Wagoner "								30	4
				TOTAL	$256 42				$4 50 $59.75	$3.48	58	$21.16	

CONSTITUTION OF THE ASHE ASSOCIATION.

ART. 1. This body shall be called "The Ashe Association."

2 The object of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the gospel in our bounds, and in all the world, and in this work the Association will co-operate with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

3 The members of this body shall be all the ordained ministers of the churches composing the Association, and three delegates from each, who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment and giving statistics of the membership and work of the churches.

4 At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a Moderator, a Clerk and Treasurer, in such a way as the Association may direct. The last two offices may be held by the same brother.

5 The Moderator shall preside at the meeting, preserve order appoint committees and perform such other duties as are usually required of presiding officers.

6 The Clerk shall keep a correct record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend printing and distributing to the churches these proceedings.

7 The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent up to the Associ ation, pay them out as the Association may direct, and make report at each annual session.

8 The Association shall hold annual meetings at such times and places as may be agreed upon.

9 At each annual session there shall be appointed an Executive Committee of five brethren, who shall look after the destitution in the bounds of this Association and co-operate with State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention, making to the next session a report of the work done, and the general state of mission work.

10 At each annual session there shall be appointed committees to make reports at the subsequent session on the following subjects: Foreign Missions, Home Missions, State Missions, Ministerial Education, Baptist Orphanage, Periodicals, and Temperance.

11 Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

12 The Association will not receive or retain in permanent fellowship any church that retains in its fellowship any member who is disorderly in doctrine or practice, or who makes, sells or in any way deals in ardent spirits as a beverage.

13 This Constitution may be amended by a vote of two thirds of the members present at any annual session.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. Every session shall be opened and closed by prayer.
2. When the Moderator calls the association to order, every member shall at once take his seat.
3. When a member wishes to speak he shall arise and address the Moderator and not proceed until he has been recognized.
4. No member shall speak more than twice on any subject except by permission of the body, and not over fifteen minutes at a time.
5. No member shall leave the body during its session without permission of the Moderator.
6. It will be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold private conversation while the Moderator or any member is speaking.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES.

1. We believe in one only true and living God; and that there are three persons in the God head, the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, and that these three are one.
2. We believe that the Bible—the Old and New Testaments—is the word of God and the only rule of faith and practice.
3. We believe in the impotency of man and the sovereignty of God.
4. We believe that salvation is by Grace, through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.
5. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ, to be practiced only by believers in their Scriptural order.
6. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator. And that only those who are thus baptized are in fellowship with the church in feeling and doctrine should take the Lord's Supper.
7. We believe in the final, perseverance of the Saints in Grace to Glory.
8. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a General Judgment.
9. We believe that the existence of the righteous and of the wicked will both be of eternal duration. and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

FORM OF CHURCH LETTER FROM CHURCHES TO THE ASSOCIATION.

Clerks of the churches will please write their letters by this form.

THE.....BAPTIST CHURCH.

To the Ashe Association, Greeting:

We send as Messengers, Brethren.. .....

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Alternates . ...

STATISTICS.

ADDED.		LOST.		MEMBERSHIP.	
Baptized	....	Dismissed by Letter	....	Males	....
Re'd by L't'r	....	Excluded	....	Females	....
Restored	....	Died	....		
Total	....	Total	.....	Total	....

CHURCH EXPENSES.		CONTRIBUTIONS.	
Pastor's Salary	$....	Foreign Missions	.. .
Incidental Expenses	....	Home Missions	...
Poor	....	State Missions	$.. .
Minute Fund	....	Education	...
Repairs	....	Colportage	...
Other Objects	....	Orphanage	...
Total	$....	Total	$....

Pastor.....P. O.....Ordained Ministers..... .....

P. O.... ..... Time of Church Meeting..... .....

Clerk..... .....P. O..... .....

MINUTES

14th ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD WITH

BUFFALO CHURCH,

Ashe County, N. C., October 9th, 10th and 11th

1900.

JAMES ELLER, Moderator, Berlin, N. C.

G. L. PORTER, Secretary and Treas., Bud, N. C.

The next session will be held with Mt. View Church, Grigsby, N. C., on Tuesday before the first Sunday in Oct. 1901. Eld W. H. Glenn to preach the Introductory, Alternate, Eld. J. F. Fletcher, continuing through Wednesday and Thursday of same week.

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PROCEEDINGS.

The Ashe Association met at Buffalo Church on Tuesday, Oct , the 9th, 1900 in its 14th, Annual session. The Introductory sermon was delivered by Eld. P. H. Haire. Text, John the 14th, Chapter and 27th, verse: "Peace I leave with you, my Peace I give unto you not as the world giveth, give I unto you Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid." The Association took a recess of 30 minutes. Then reassembled for business. The body was called to order by the former Moderator. Prayer by Eld. E. Tucker. The list of Churches was called and letters from all but Big Laurel, Grayson's Chapel, Liberty, Mission Home and Obids were read by Brethren H. A Eller and J. P. Goodman, and a roll of Delegates made as follows: Apple Grove: Marion Miller, W. P Lewis and J. J. Bennet; Baptist Home: L. J. Sturgill, J.M. Toliver and Roby Sluder; Bethel: J. P. Goodman and J. A. Goodman; Bethlehem: Wm. Goodman, John Pearson and R F. Johnson; Beaver Creek: J. T. Goodman, J. W. Garvey and T. M. Duncan; Big Laurel: not represented; Bristol: T. J. Day and J. N. Caloway; Brushy Fork: Henry Parsons; Buffalo: S A. Campbell, Osborn Lewis, Jordan Hodgson and G. W. Eller; Clifton: R R. Elliott, Emory Elliott and W. T. Miller; Corinth: E. W. Reedy. Wm. Johnson and Felix Plummer; Forest Home: James Eller. R. L. Sheraf, H. A Eller, I M Carter and E. C. Eller; Friendship; C. A. Dickson and E. F Marsh; Grayson's Chapel: not represented; Healing Springs: William Byers, J. L. Huddler and W. E. Blevins; Jefferson: J. D. Roberts, A. E. Graybeal and A. L. Fletcher; Landmark: G L. Porter and W F. Barker; Liberty: not represented; Long Branch: John Welch; Macedonia: E. E Phillips, A. N. Johnson and J. G. Fairchild; Mission Home: Wm. Howell, J. M. Teague and Solomon Trivett; Mt. View: Stephen Perry and George Coldiron; New River: J. J. Garvey and R. C. Spence; Obids: not represented; Peak Valley; John Robertson, W. H. Tyree and J. M. Harless; Pleasant Home: C C. Reedy; Pleasant Hill: A. L. Stamper and V. C Howell; Three Top: F M. Jones; Windfall: E. L. Tucker, J. A. Wagoner and E. Tucker; Zion Hill: W. H. Sheets.

On motion the Chair appoint Elds W.S Farthing and J. F. Eller to receive vote cast for Officers, who report James Eller elected Moderator, and G. L Porter elected Secretary and Treasurer, who proceeded to their respective duties. Reception of new churches was called for. Macedona and Corinth presented letters asking membership with this association. The letters were received and read and the hand of welcome was extended to them by the Moderator. The Articles of Faith, Rules of Order, Etc , were read by H A. Eller, after which brethren W. S. Farthing, William Elrod and J. F. Eller, reported themselves as corresponding brethren from the Three Forks Association, and accepted seats with the body. Brethren L. W. Farthing and Johnson Norris report themselves as visitors from Three Forks Association and were seated The chair appoints the following committees: On Religious Exercises, delegates of this church with J. J. Garvey and John Robertson On Finance, H. A. Eller and J. P. Goodman. On Obituaries, E Tucker, I. M. Carter, W. H. Sheets. Resolutions, T. M. Duncan, H. A. Eller and W S. Farthing, Time, Place and Preacher for next session, Georg Coldiron, E. W Reedy and A. E Graybeal. Committee to nominate an Executive Committee, S A. Campbell and R. C Spence. On motion Wednesday 2d day was set apart as Century day, to discuss the progress, etc of the Baptists. Committee on Religious Exercises report preaching tomorrow at 11 a. m. by Elders J. F. Eller and E. W. Reedy; and at 2 p. m, by Elders E. Tucker and W F. Barker. The chair appointed Elder E. W. Reedy to fill vacancy in standing committee on Ministerial Education. On motion adjourned until tomorrow at 9 a. m.—spend 30 minutes in devotional exercises. then take up programme of Century Day. Prayer by Elder John Norris, benediction by Elder T. M. Duncan.

SECOND DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

Wednesday, October 10th.—The Associanion met persuant to adjournment, and spent 30 minutes in devotional exercises conducted by Elder J. F Eller and others. The proceedings of yesterday were read. The roll of delegates was called and corrections made. The letter from Mission Home church was handed in and read. Elder W. R. Bradshaw reported as a visitor from Brushy Mountain Association and was welcomed a seat; also G. C. Woodruff, from Stony Fork, was reported as a visitor and welcomed a seat. The program of Centu-

ry day was taken up and the first subject, viz: "Our Denomination a Century ago," was discussod by Elders W. R. Bradshaw and E. Blevins at 10:30 a. m. Second item, viz: "Denominational growth during the last Century," was taken up and discussed by Elder P H. Haire, J D. Roberts, Elders J. F. Fletcher, W.S. Farthing. The chair announced time for preaching. Elders J. F. Eller and E. W. Reedy preached to a large and attentive audience in the grove. The discussion of Denominational growth was continued by Elder E. Tucker, E. L. Tucker and Elder John Norris at 11 a. m Third item "Progress of our Denominational Missions during the last Cen ury," was taken up and discussed by J. D. Roberts Elders T. M. Duncan, E. Blevins and W. R. Bradshaw. At 12:30 p. m. the Association took a recess of 60 minutes. Benediction by R. L. Shoaf.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The Association reassembled at 1:30 o'clock p. m. and the 4th item on the program was taken up and discussed as follows: "What should be the special aim of the Denomination for the Century to come. "Discussion by J D Roberts. S. L. Perkins, from Baltimore, reported as a visitor and was seated. The Chair announced preaching in the Grove by Elders E. Tucker and W. F. Barker. The Committee to nominate an Executive Committee reported H. A Eller, J. D. Roberts. A N. Johnson, L J. Surgil and E L. Tucker. The report was adopted

R C. Spence,
S. A. Campbell, } Committee.

The 5th and last item in program, viz: "The leadership and respon ibility of Pastors in the work," was discussed by S L Perkins, J.F Fletcher and W. R. Bradshaw The Association joined in Prayer led by Eld. J. F. Fletcher The report of the Executive Committee was read and discussed by J. D. Roberts, S. L Perkins, E. Blevins T. M Duncan, P. H Haire and John Robertson. The report as appears below was adopted. Report:

Soon after the appointment of the Executive Committe at the last session of the Association a meeting was called and the situation thoroughly discussed. We deem it expedient that a missionary should by all means be placed in the field for this whole time. The fund at our command would not justify this and we appealed to the State Board of Missions for aid. This could not be secured until the meeting of the Board in December and after many delays and much correspondence we were enabled to place Rev. J. F. Fletcher in the field on the 1st of May last. The State Board contributes $250 to his salary and stipulates that two Sundays in each month shall be given to the Jefferson Church. The Committee has pledged the Association for $100 per annum to his support; and

ask that this action be endorsed. Bro. Fletcher has been zealous in the work, visiting the different sections as rapidly as possible. He reports for the 5 months he has labored with us: Traveled over 300 miles, preached 39 sermons, added 5 by letter, collected $11.75 for State Missions, $4.20 for Foreign Missions, organized 1 new Sunday School, visited 60 families religiously. On the 2nd. Sunday and Saturday before in Aug. last under a call made by the Executive Committee an Associational Sunday School Convention was organized and plans laid for prosecuting this work with vigor during another year. There is great destitution of Baptist preaching and work in many parts of the bounds of our Association. Many of our Churches are weak and in many sections there is needed help. Two Missionaries could be used to an advantange if we only had the means to support them. This work demands our best efforts and we would urge liberal contributions on the part of each Church for the coming year Respectfully submitted, J. D. Roberts Chairman for Committee.

On motion the Treasurer was instructed to pay Elder J. F Fletcher, Missionary, all money contributed by the Churches for State Missions. A collection of $3.24 was taken up for Eld. E. F. Anderson's widow. Committee on Religious Exercises report preaching tomorrow at 11 a. m by Elders E. W. Reedy and I. M. Carter and at 2 p. m. preaching by Elders John Norris and Whitfield Farthing. On motion adjorned till tomorrow at 9 a. m to spend 30 minutes in Devotional Exercises. Prayer by Eld. W. R, Bradshaw. Benediction by Eld. E, Blevins.

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION.

Thursday, Oct. 11th.—The Association met persuant to adjournment, spent 30 minutes in Devotional Exercise conducted by Eld. R. L. Shoaf and others The proceedings of yesterday were read and adopted. A motion to read the reports on State, Home and Foreign Missions in connection be read and that E d, W. R. Bradshaw preach in the Church at 11 a. m The Chair appointed Elders T. M, Duncan, I. M. Carter and E Blevins to answer query from Mission Home Church. The report on State, Home and Foreign Missions was read and discussed by Elders E. Blevins, P. H. Hare and R. L Shoaf. Elder W. R. Bradshaw preached a warm and instructive sermon on State, Home and Foreign Missions: the reports were adopted. State Missions report:

The history of State Missions is virtually the history of the rise and progress of North Carolina Baptists reaching from the year 1720 to the present time; it is a work so clearly taught in the New Testament Scriptures that it needs no argument. Since the Organization of the Boards of Missions, our State Missionaries have preached the gospel in near 500 destitute fields or points and have organized at least one-third of the whole number of Baptist Churches that we now have in North Carolna; every department of our

denominational life has been stimulated by the State Mission work. We have one hundred Missionaries in the field at present. The cause of our Master is being pressed by the faithful workers; and their compensation is comparatively very small. And Brethren We should feel honored of God that we are co-laborers with Him in this great and glorious work of bringing North Carolina to Christ. Ours is the duty of prayer, sympathy and liberality. The time is now on us when each must do something to support these faithful men of God at present and to press the great work more vigorously in the future. We, your Committee recommend that every Pastor preach at least one sermon on State Missions during the ensuing year to their respective Churches and urge them to contribute more liberally to this object Let all come up to the help of the Lord against the mighty. Respectfully submitted.

R. L. Shoaf, } Committee.
I. M. Carter. }

Report on Home Missions:

We, your Committee on Home Missions submit the following: The territory of the Home Missions Board holds a varied and vast population besides our Indian population 65,000. Texas alone has 200,000 Mexicans, the State 5000 Chinese, 40,000 Italians, 500,000, Germans and 7,000,000 Negroes. In addition to this mixed multitude we have 1,000,000 Cubans on our hands. With such conditions confronting it the Home Board cannot stop. It too must go forward. The number of Missionaries employed this year was 653 against 467 last year. Baptism this year 6,552 against 4,739 last year. Total additions to Churches this year 12,983 against 9,509 last year. There are many reasons why we should not forget the Home Board in our forward movement along all other lines. Brethren let us come to help of the Lord against the mighty. Submitted.

W. F. Barker, } Committee.
E. Blevins, }

Report on Foreign Missions:

There has never been a time in the foreign Mission work of the Southern Baptist Convention that called for more strenuous efforts than the present. With the demands of the other fields occupied by our Missionaries equal to if not greater than ever before. The situation in China appeals to all christians in all civilized countries for extraordinary work in evangalizing this benighted country. God in His providence has opened the way for this work, and it is the duty of His people to accept the responsibility and press on with renewed energy in fulfilling this great command to teach all Nations in the way of Eternal life. The Foreign Mission Board now has at work ninety-one Missionaries and fifty-seven native helpers on the different fields with three recently appointed who will soon leave for this country for their work.

The receipts of the Board for the current year from May the 1st to Sept the 15th have been $21,844.51. Under the instructions of the Convention at its session last May the Board has "gone forward" and is enlarging the work. Eight new missionaries have been appointed since the Convention; and there is a debt of $14,139.08 upon the Board. All these facts demand earnest and immediate efforts on the part of our Churches, and we would urge prompt action in our contributions; and with them let us send to a throne of divine grace our prayers for these faithful servants of the Cross and thanks to the giver of every good and perfect gift for His protecting care over our own missionaries in time of sore trial and distress. Respectfully submitted.

J. D. Roberts. } Committee.
E. Tucker }

The report on Ministerial Education was read. Discussion by L J. Sturgill. The report, as appears, was adopted. Report:—

We, your committee, wish to emphasize the importance of a abetter education, especially by those who propose to enter the ministry. There are various preparatory schools for those who wish to prepare themselves, We would recommend to our young men our Baptist institution at Solitude, and for a higher grade of education, Wake Forest College, as the best places in our state, The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, Ky., to those who desire a Theological Education. We strongly urge our Churches and people to support by sympathy and contributions our institutions of learning. Respectfully.

E. L. Tucker, } Committee.
E. W. Reedy, }

The report on Periodicals was read and adopted. Report:—

Your Committee would emphasize the necessity of cultivating the habit of reading good literature on the part of our people. Nothing else will so surely develop men and women who are capable of doing intelligent Christian work. In this matter our preachers must take the lead and direct our people in the choice of our reading matter. A great peril lies in the indiscriminate reading of all the material that is now placed in easy reach of the people. We would insist on the members of our denomination reading our church literature. Our pastors should stress the importance of taking our church papers. We point to these papers with pride and give them our hearty endorsement. We would specially commend to our people The Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children, The Skyland Baptist and also The Blue Ridge Baptist. Respectfully submitted. A. E. Graybeal. } Committee.

The report on Colportage was read and adopted. Report:—

Dear Brethren, I would urge that the Executive Committee get one or two good Brethren in this Association to carry on this work. I for one believe the Colportage work a good thing in the bounds of our Association. At present we have none. Let us have one or more in the field the next year so we can make a report in Colportage. Submitted. C J. Carter. } Committee.

On motion adjourned till 1 o'clock P. M Benediction by W. R. Bradshaw

EVENING SESSION.

The Association reassembled at 1 o'clock P M. The report on Finance was read and adopted. Report: —

Your Committee on finance report receive l from the Churches: Minute Fund, $20 85; Foreign Missions, $1 36; Home Missions, 80c; Associational Missions. $27 85; Orphanage. $3 97; Ministers Relief, 50c. Total, $55 33, H. A, Eller, } Committee.
J P. Goodman }

The report on Baptist Orphanage was read. Discussion by H. A. Eller, P. H. Haire, R. L Sheaf and W. R. Bradshaw. A collection of $7 51 was taken up for Baptist Orphanage. The report was adopte l. Report:

Your committee would insist that it is our duty to sustain the Baptist Orphanage. It is greatly to our advantage as a denomination to utilize this element of our people, rather than for all of them to drift away from us and from a pure life. This we can do by aiding the institution to care for all who belong to this unfortunate class, and the department of work can be aided greatly without money. We can aid it in provisions and clothing. We recommend that each church make an effort to send the institution a box of something useful during the fall and winter. Submitted,

H. A. ELLER, Committee.

Chair announced preaching in the grove. Elders John Norris and Whitfied Farthing. The committee to answer querry from Mission Home church made this report, and was discharged:

Querry; What should be done with Baptist ministers who preach, practice or endorse in any way, Apostasy, Alien Immersion, Open Communion, or any part of these doctrines? Answer: In answer to the querry from Mission Home church, we your committee. admonish that such brethren (if any) in this association that they should refrain from such preaching or practice, as we believe that such is not authorized by the word of God, and that the 1st clause of the 12th article of the Constitulion of this Association be strictly complied with.

T. M. DUNCAN.
I. M. CARTER, } Comm.
E. BLEVINS,

The Committee on Time, Place and Preacher submit the following for next session: Time. on Tuesday before the 1st Sunday in October, 1901; place, Mt. View, Ashe Co ; Preacher, Eld. W. H. Glenn to preach introductory sermon, alternate, Eld. J. F. Fletcher. Submitted,

A. E. GRAYBEAL,
GEO. COLDIRON, } Comm.
E W. REEDY,

The Chair announced the following Standing Committees: Foreign Missions: T. M. Duncan and H. A. Eller; Home Missions: R. L. Shoaf and R C. Spence; State Missions: J. D. Roberts and L. J. Sturgill; Temperance: E. Tucker and E. Bleving; Ministerial Education: J. F. Fletcher and Wm. Howell; Colportage: P H. Haire and J L. Goodman; Periodicals: I. M. Carter and W F. Barker; Orphanage: John Robertson and E. E. Phillips.

The Secretary was instructed to expend the Minute Fund in hand in getting out and distributing the minutes after retaining $5 00 for his services.

Committee on Obituaries submit the following.

Your Committee on Obituaries brings to the notice of this body the sad intelligence of the death of Eld. E. F Anderson who passed away Aug. the 12th 1900, Age 41 years; he entered the ministery about six years ago and was a faithful and zealous servant of the

Lord. We feel his loss but believe that it is gain to him. We extend our spmpathies to his companion and family and bow in submission to the Divine will.

E. TUCKER,
I. M. CARTER, } Committee.
W. H. SHEETS.

The report on Resolutions was read and adopted. Resolutions: Your Committee on Resolutions would submit the following: 1st, That this Association reiterate its former principles on the use of intoxicating drinks and advise the churches to carry out the spirit of the 12th article of our Constitution. 2nd, That the thanks of this body are due and are hereby tendered to the brethren, sisters and friends of this vicinity for their hospitality in caring for us during the sitting of this Association and to the officers for kind and efficient services. H. A. Eller, Committee.

On motion the Moderator was empowered and requested to try to obtain one or two Colporters for the Association.

REPORT OF TREASURER FOR 1900.

Receipts: Received from Committee on Finance as follows: Associational Missions $27 85; Home Missions: 80 cents; Foreign Missions; $1 36; Orphanage: $3 97; Orphanage from Association: $7 51 Ministers Relief: 50 cents; Minute Fund: $20 85. Total $62 84.

Disbursements: Paid to Eld. J. F. Fletcher, Missionary: $27 85: Mailed to J. D Bonshall, Raleigh, N. C., for Home Missions: 80 cents; Mailed to J. D. Bonshall, Raleigh, N. C., for Foreign Missions: $1 36; Mailed J. D. Bonshall, Raleigh, N. C., for Old Ministers Relief: 50 cents; Mailed to Supt. of Baptist Orphanage, Thomasville, N. C ,: 11 48 Expended for printing. postage, stationary, etc: 15 85; Retained for services as instructed: $5 00. Total: $62 84. The $3 75 left in my hands last year for member of the State Board was paid to J. D. Roberts. G. L. Porter, Treasurer.

On motion Eld. J. F. Fletcher was elected a member of the State Board,

On motion Bro. J. D. Roberts was instructed to pay Eld. J. F. Fletcher the $3 75 in his hands to help defray expenses to the meeting of said board.

On motion adjourned to time and place before named. Prayer by W. R. Bradshaw, benediction by Elder J. F. Fletcher. Thus passed a very pleasant and harmonious sessson.

JAMES ELLER, Moderator.
G. L. PORTER. Secretary.

CHURCHES	POSTOFFICES								
Apple Grove	Weasel,	N C	4	1	3	1	25	52	77
Baptist Home	Solitude,	"	4		2	4	9	23	32
Bethel	Nettle Knob,	"	20	3	1	1	51	66	117
Bethlehem	Baldwin.	"					4	4	8
Beaver Creek	Beaver Creek,	"	2		1	1	19	22	41
Big Laurel	Thaxton,	"							
Bristol	Jefferson,	"	6	3	3	1	14	27	41
Brushy Fork	Wheeler,	"	1			1	27	51	78
Buffalo	Three Top,	"	1		1	1	31	69	100
Clifton	Clifton,	"	6	6			16	16	32
Corinth	Rugby,	Va							
Forest Home	Berlin,	N C	1	2	1	1	18	21	39
Friendship	Idol	"	2	1		1 2	13	36	49
Grayson Chapel	Fig,	"							
Healing Springs	Crumpler,	"	2	2		1	29	37	66
Jefferson	Jefferson,	"		6			21	13	34
Landmark	Bud,	"	3		7	1	43	71	114
Liberty	Silas Creek,	"							
Longbranch	Ashley,	"					12	10	22
Macedona	Idlewild.	"					5	7	12
Mission Home	Gap Creek,	"	13		3	3	32	43	75
Mt. View	Grigsby,	"	8		2	3	26	35	61
Meadow View	Vernon,	"	4	1			19	20	39
New River	Weaversford,	"	7	2	5	1	29	37	66
Obids	Obids,	"							
Peak Valley	Sutherland,	"	4	1	1		16	31	47
Pleasant Home	Sussex.	"	1	2		1	13	23	36
Pleasant Hill	Hermitage,	"			8		22	33	55
Three Top	Trout.	"					4	6	10
Windfall	Weasel,	"	12	3	1		14	21	35
Zion Hill	Wagoner,	"		1		2	3	10	13
Total chur. 31	Total		101	34	39	9 19	515	784	1299

		POSTOFFICES		Number of Minutes
		ruitt Hermitage,	N C	60
			Parker, "	25
		n	Nettle Knob, "	70
			Baldwin, "	10
		n	Beaver Creek, "	30
		rt	Grigsby, "	10
			Linney, "	30
		nger	Wheeler, "	40
			Three Top, "	60
			Clifton, "	25
		son	Rugby, Va	35
			Berlin, N C	35
		t	Idol, "	5
		s	Solitude, "	35
		r	Crumpler, "	35
		al	Jefferson, "	70
Landmark	L M Brinegar		Bud, "	5
Liberty	F M Eller		Silas Creek, "	15
Longbranch	John Welch		Ashley, "	10
Macedona	A N Johnson		Nettle Knob, "	50
Mission Home	Wm Howell		Fleetwood, "	45
Mt. View	Jas Coldiron		Grayson, "	35
Meadow View	H H Gaultney		Vernon, "	50
New River	M W Blevins		Weaversford, "	5
Obids	Willie Hartzog		Idlewild, "	35
Peak Valley	John Robertson		Dyson, "	35
Pleasant Home	J W Huddler		Sussex, "	40
Pleasant Hill	V C Howell		Kiplin, Va.	15
Three Top	T M Jones		Trout, N C	35
Windfall	E L Tucker		Weasel, N C	10
Zion Hill	W H Sheets		Wagoner, "	15
			Total	1000

G. L. PORTER. Secretary. Bud, N C.

Statistical Table of Churches that Report Sunday Schools.

			O. and Teachers	Scholars	Av. Attendance	Quar. &c Taken	Baptisms from S.	Expenses
Bethel	J Baker	Oval, N C	7	60	35	36		$ 1
Beaver creek	R H Goodman	Beaver Cr., "	7	68	25	48		2
Bristol	Harry Proctor	Jefferson, "	6	50	45	56		10
Landmark	Henry Mclower	Bud, "	4	80	40			
Miss'n Home	J M Teague	Oval, "	9	56	28	32	1	4
Meadowview	R C Spence	Grassy Cr., "	5	45				
Pleasant Hill	C Blevins	Kiplin, Va	8	53	33			
Total			46	412	206	172	1	17

FORM OF CHURCH LETTER.

Clerks of churches will please write their church letters after this form:

The .... Baptist Church, to the Ashe Association.
We send as messengers, brethren....., Alternates....

Statistics.		Church Expenses.
Added.... Lost....	Membership ...	Pastor's sal'y....
Bap.... Dis. by letter....	Males....	Incidental ex ....
Rec'd by letter....	Excluded....	Females....	Poor....
Restored.. .Erased from roll....	Total....	Min fund....
Total.....	Died.... Net gain or loss....	Repairs....
	Tot.....	Total .....

Contributions.	Sunday School Statistics.	
	Statistics.	Contributions.
State Missions.....	No Schools....	State M.....
Asso Missions	O. and T.....	Aso M.....
Home Missions....	Scholars.....	Home M.....
Foreign Missions....	Av att	Foreign M .....
Education	No quar. and	S S M ....
Orphanage.....	lesson helps....	Education.....
Old Ministers re....	For house	Orphanage.....
	of wor....	Total.....
	School Ex.....	
	Total	

Pastor.... Postoffice .... Clerk of Church, P. O. .....
Superintendant of S. S..... Postoffice Time of preaching ..... Mod... .. Ordained ministers.... Postoffice..... C. C. ... Read and approved by Church in conference the ... .day of .....1901.

CONSTITUTION.

Art. 1. This body shall be called the Ashe Association,

Art. 2. The object of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the gospel in our bounds, and in all the world, and in this work the Association will cooperate with the Baptist State convention of North Carolina.

Art. 3. The members of this body shall be all the ordained ministers of the churches composing the Association, and three delegates from each church, who shall bring letters certifying their appointment, and giving statistics of the membership and work of the churches

Art. 4. At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a Moderator, a Clerk and Treasurer, in such a way as the association may direct;—the last two offices may be held by the same brother.

Art 5. The Moderator shall preside at the meetings, preserve order, appoint committees, and perform such other duties as are usually required of presiding officers.

Art. 6. The Clerk shall keep a correct record of the proceedings of the body and superintend printing and distributing to the churches these proceedings.

Art, 7. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent up to the Association, pay them out as the Association may direct, and make report at each annual session.

Art. 8. The Associon shall hold annual meetings at such times and places as may be agreed upon.

Art, 9. At each annual session there shall be appointed an Executive committee of five brethren, who shall look after the destitution in the bounds of this Association, and cooperate with the State Mission board of the Baptist State convention, making to the next session a report of the work.

Art. 10, At each annual session there shall be appointed committees to make report at the subsequent session, on the following subjects: Foreign Missions, Home Missions, State Missions, Ministerial Education, Baptist Orphanage, Periodicals, and Temperance.

Art. 11. Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

Art. 12. The Association will not receive or retain in its permanent fellowship any church that retains in its fellowship any member who is disorderly in doctrine or practice, or who makes or sells or in any way deals in ardent spirits as a beverage.

Art. 13. This Constitution may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual session.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. Every session shall be opened and closed by prayer.
2. When the Moderator calls the Association to order, every member shall at once take his seat.
3. When a member wishes to speak, he shall arise and address the Moderator and not proceed until he has been recognized.
4. No member shall speak more than twice on any subject except by the permission of the body. And not over fifteen at a time.
5. No member shall leave the body during its session without permission of the Moderator.
6. It will be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold private conversation while the Moderator or any member is speaking.

ABSTRACT of PRINCIPLES.

1. We believe in one only true and living God; and that there are three persons in the God Head, the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, and that these three are one.

2. We believe that the Bible the Old and New Testament is the word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

3. We believe in the impotency of man and sovereignty of God.

4. We believe that Salvation is by Grace, through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ to be practiced only by believers in their Scriptural order.

6. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator. And that those who are thus baptized are in fellowship with the Church in feeling and doctrine should take the Lord's Supper.

7. We believe in the final perseverance of the Saints in Grace to Glory.

8. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a General Judgment.

9. We believe that the existence of the righteous and of the wicked will both be of eternal duration, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Introductory Sermon. 2. Enrollment of delegates. 3. Election of Officers. 4. Reception of new Churches. 5. Reading Constitution, Rules of Order, Abstracts of Principles. 6. Appointment of Committees. 7. Report of Executive Committee. 8. Report of Treasurer. 9. Report of Committees. 10. Miscellaneous.

CHURCH.	PASTOR.	Postoffice	CLERK.	Postoffice.	Paid Pastor	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Ass'n. Missions	Orphanage	Repairs	Incidental ex	Poor	Value chur. pro	Seating capacity of church	Minute Fund	Time of chu Meeting—Sund
								1 00		$					1 25	2
										1					50	3
Apple Grove	J F Walton	Green Cove, Va.	Augustus Pruitt	Hermitage, NC	13 85											
Baptist Home	W H Mikel	Tracy, N. C.	L J Sturgill	Parker, "	8 25										1 50	2
Bethel	P H Haire	Fleetwood, "	J P Goodman	Nettle Knob "	25 00			3 00	54	200.			500	250	2o	4
Bethlehem	Not given		R F Johnson	Baldwin. "									500		6o	3
Beaver Creek	P H Haire	Fleetwood, "	J L Goodman	Beaver Creek"	12 50		50	6 00	1 00							
Big Laurel	Not repres'nt'd		Newell Sturatt	Grigsby, "				1 15					200		6o	2
Bristol	E Tucker	Bud, "	T J Day	Linney, "					45						5o	2
Brushy Fork	L A Wilson	Sutherland, "	Jno. M Robinger	Wheeler, "	25 48					75.00					8o	3
Buffalo	G W Eller	Jefferson, "	T A Ray	Three Top, "	9 25										5o	2
Clifton	E Blevins	Blevins, "	W T Miller	Clifton. "	7 30	30	30		10						95	
Corinth	Not given		D B Henderson	Rugby, Va					15	25					1 50	2
Forest Home	I M Carter	Bernice, "	H A Eller	Berlin, NC	20 00	1 79	2 29	6 59	2 00		1 00				65	3
Friendship	E Blevins	Blevins, "	R M Barkett	Idol. "	9 00						5 00					
Grayson's Chap'l	not represented		T M Roberts	Solitude, "					35				800	500	5o	1
Healing Springs	E Blevins	Blevins, "	I N Huddler	Crumpler. "	12 75					40					1 00	1-3
Jefferson	J F Fletcher	Jefferson, "	C C Graybeal	Jefferson, "	150 00		4 50	10 25							1 6o	4
Landmark	E Tucker	Bud, "	L M Brinegar	Bud, "	20 00			3 00			5 00	10	500	300		
Liberty	not reprerented		F M Eller	Silas Creek, "											25	
Long Branch	W F Barker	Bud, "	John Welch	Ashley, "											5o	3
Macedona	not given.		A N Johnson	Idlewild, "												
Mission Home	T M Duncan	Beaver Creek, N, C.	Wm. Howell	Fleetwood, "	20 00			3 00	1 08				150	250	75	1
Mt. View	W H Glenn	Grigsby, N.C	James Coldiron	Grayson, "	6 30			1 00							65	2
Meadow View	J G Henderson	Rugby, Va	H H Gaultney	Vernon. "	13 10			3 00					300	150	1 00	3
New River	E Tucker	Bud, N. C,	M W Blevins	Weavers F'd, "	27 00			1 00		5 00	5 00		600	400	1 00	1
Obids	not represented		Willie Hartzog	Idlewild, "								3 85			5o	2
Peak Valley	J F Stanley	Graybeal, "	John Robertson	Dyson. "	22 29	50	56	2 50			2 71	10			1 00	4
Pleasant Home	J G Henderson	Rugby Va.	J W Huddler	Sussex, "	12 00			1 00	1 00		3 00		450	300	1 00	3
Pleasant Hill	J F Walton	Green Cove, Va.	V. C Howell	Kiplin, Va. "	11 98			2 00							25	2
Three Top	have none		T M Jones	Trout, NC									200		1 00	3
Windfall	E Tucker	Bud, N. C.	E L Tucker	Weasel, "	20 25										3o	4
Zion Hill	E F Anderson	Transon, "	W H Sheets	Wagoner, "	3 25											
				Total	$448 75	2 59	8 15	44 43	5 97	281 40	20 71	23 85	4200	21 50	2o 85	

Bethel gave $5 for State Missions. Beaver Creek gave 50c for Old Ministers' Relief. Pleasant Hill expended $134.07 for Building House of Worship

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DIRECTORY.

Officers.

ELIHU TUCKER, Moderator, Bud, N. C.
H. A. Eller, Secretary and Treasurer. Berlin, "

Member of State Board.

J. Eller, Berlin, N. C.

Executive Committee.

J. D. Roberts, Jefferson, N. C.
H. A. Eller, Berlin, "
L. J. Sturgill, Solitude, "

Ordained Ministers.

Barker, W. F., Bud, N. C.
Blackburn, S., " "
Blevins, C., Kiplen, "
Blevins, E., Crumpler, "
Carter, I. M., Bernice, "
Campbell, N., Thaxton, "
Calloway, J. N., Jefferson, "
Duncan, T. M., Beaver Creek, "
Eller, G. W., Jefferson, "
Glenn, W. H., Grigsby, "
Hurley, A., Thaxton, "
Haire, P. H., Fleetwood, "
Henderson, G. J., Rugby, Va.
Hart, J. R., Eye, N. C.
Phillips, H., Nettle Knob, "
Reedy, E. W., Rugby, Va
Shoaf, R. L., Linney, N. C.
Stanley, J. F., Graybeal, "
Warren, T., Rugby, Va.
Tucker, E., Bud, N. C.

NOTE —There may be others, if so, we are not informed by the church letters.

MINUTES

—OF THE—

15TH ANNUAL SESSION,

—OF THE—

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

—HELD WITH—

MOUNTAIN VIEW CHURCH,

ASHE COUNTY, N. C.,

October 1st, 2nd, and 3rd,

1901.

ELIHU TUCKER, Moderator, Bud, N. C.
H. A. Eller Secretary and Treasurer. Berlin, "

Next Session to be held with Bristol Baptist Church, commencing Tuesday before the first Sunday in October, 1902.

Proceedings.

The Ashe Baptist Association met with the Mountain View Baptist church on Tuesday at 11 a m . Oct. 1, A. D. 1901, in its fifteenth annual session. The introductory sermon was preached by Eld. W. H· Glenn, text, II Cor. V chapter and 14 verse: "For the love of christ constraineth us" The association took recess for 30, minutes At 1, o'clock p. m the association was called to order by Bro. G. L. Porter, clerk, in the absence of the moderator.

Bro. E. L, Tucker was chosen temporary moderator. Prayer by Eld. E. Blevins. The list of churches was called and twenty two responded by letter which were read and a roll of delegates was made as follows:

Apple Grove—J. J. Bennett, J. E. Davis, A Prewitt.

Baptist Home—E. H, Graybeal, J. Woodard,, J M. Toliver.

Bethel—R. G. Johnson.

Bethlehem—R. F. Johnson.

Beaver Creek—T. F. Ray.

Big Laurel—J. T. Glenn, C. Taylor, N. Stewart, W. H. Glenn, N. Campbell

Bristol—L. F. McLure, A. F, Sheets R. F. McLure.

Brushyfork—H. Parsons, R. Vanover.

Buffalo—S. A. Campbell.

Clifton—J. G. Miller, Joseph Dougherty.

Corinth—S. M. McGrady.

Forest Home—R. D. Shoaf, J, T. King, H. A Eller

Friendship—C. A. Dickson.

Healing Springs—M, M. Blevins. E. Blevins.

Jefferson—J. F. Fletcher, A, E. Graybeal, A. L. Fletcher.

Landmark—G. L. Porter, J. C. Jones, H. L. McLure.
Longbranch—Z. O. Eldreth, J. Welch,
Missionhome—(not rep.)
Macedonia —(not rep.)
Mountain View—E. Davis, A. J. Baker, S. M. Davis.
Meadow View—(not rep.)
New River—Marion Davis.
Obids—(not rep.)
Peak Valley—J. Robertson, G. Milam, R. Harlace.
Pleasant Home—W. R. Lovelace. Thos. Hash.
Pleasant Hill—A. H. Barker, V. C. Howell, J. A. Brown.
Threetop—(not rep.)
Windfall—E. L. Tucker, J. A. Wagoner, J. A. Caudill.
Zion Hill—(not rep.)

The Association proceeded to ballot for officers, Elds. W. W. White, and L. W. Farthing, being tellers who reported Eld. Elihu Tucker elected moderator and H. V. Eller, secretary and treasurer, who accepted and proceeded to their respective duties.

The Constitution, Abstract of Principles and Rules of Order were read.

Elders J. F. Fletcher, E. Blevins and R. L. Shoaf were appointed to visit Grayson's Chapel church during the year, and labor with it and encourage it to represent at the next session of this association.

Elds. R. L Shoaf and W, H. Glenn volunteered to visit and aid Zion Hill church.

Elders L. M. Farthing and J. Norris from the Threefork Association reported and took seats in the asssociation. Elder W. W. White from the Lebanon Association and S. Blevins from the Stone Mt. Association, (Va.) took seats with the body.

The Chair announced the following committees to report at this session:

On Religious Exercises—Delegates of this church, with brethren N. Stewart and H. Hagaman.
On Finance—L G. Sturgill and M. M. Blevins,
On Resolutions—R. L. Shoaf and E L. Tucker.

On Time, Place and Preacher—S. M. McGrady, L. F. McLure and J. Roberston.

To nominate an Executive Committee—A. L. Fletcher, M. Davis and E. H. Graybeal.

The chair supplied the following brethren, in the absence of members of standing committess:

On Colportage—E. L. Tucker, J. J. Bennett.

On Periodicals—G. L. Porter, J. Wagoner.

The committee on Religious Exercises reported preaching to morrow at 11 o'clock a. m. by Elder W. W. White, and at 2 p. m. by Elder J. Norris.

Elder R. L. Shoaf was requested to aid the committee in making the report on orphanage.

The following order of business was adopted for this session: Meet at 9 a. m.; spend half an hour in devotional exercises; begin business at half-past 9; adjourn 12 m.; resume business at 1, p. m., and adjourn at will.

Prayer by Elder N. Campbell.

Benediction by Elder J. Norris.

The association adjourned 'till 9 o'clock a. m. to morrow morning.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The association met pursuant to adjournment and spent half an hour in devotional exercises, conducted by Elder S. Blevins.

At 9:30 p. m. the association was called to order by the moderator.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The report of the Executive Committee was called for and read, and discussed by brethren Fletcher, Blevins, White, Roberston, Ray, Glenn, Farthing, Shoaf, Norris, Blevins, Lovelace, Tucker and Stanley, and adopted as follows:

Report of Executive Committee.

The work of the committee the past year has been largely on the line laid out heretofore. Eld. J. F. Fletcher with the assistance of the state mission board, has been continued as our missionary, and has done good work and faithful service, especial in the southern part of the county, where the destitution as to religious instruction is greatest.

We inclose herewith Bro. Fletcher's report of the work done,

but this by no means conveys an adequate idea of the influence being exerted by his labors in the upbuilding of the master's cause,

We have realized the destitution of the section to which Bro. Fletcher calls our attention, and only wish it were in our power to relieve it.

Recognizing the importance of education in the spread of the gospel, we have made some efforts to secure a denomenational school for the association, but we did not succeed, we would urge upon the association the crying necessity for immediate action on this question. and suggest that an educational committee be formed with ample powers for the purpose of organizing and operating an associational school within our bounds. In this connection we have cooperated with the Woman's Aid Society of the State, though its secretary Miss. Fannie E. Heck, in placing volunteer teachers for two mouths during the summer. at several points. We have in this manner used eight teachers, and could have securred more had there been request for them. These teachers did excellent work especially in the way of sunday school, and organizing for mission work, and we would urge that more churches use them another year. The needs of the coming year are greater than ever, and if the work is to be prosecuted on the line laid out. it will be necessary for the churches to increase their contributions to this cause. To this end we would suggest the adoption of a systematic plan of contributing and remitting to our missionary.

With an earnest prayer to God for the guidance of the Holy Spirit in all our deliberations, and a renewed hope for great things in the master's cause during the coming year, we close our report. —J. D. Roberts. Chm.

Report of J. F. Fletcher as missionary, for 11 moths ending Oct. 1, 1901; Surmons preached 104, families visited 112, prototracted meetings held 5, conversions witnessed 27, baptised 10, churches supplied 4, new sunday schools organized 2. collected for state mission $9 17. associational mission $15.95. foreign mission $2.78, home mission $1.60. S S. and colportage $1.34, other objects $60.00. Obids church is again on its feet with a fair prospect of success.

Your missionary would call the especial attention of the Executive committee to the destitution in the southern side of the county, where the territory lying between Gap Creek and Laurel-springs, comprising, at least 125 square miles with but 3 litte weak baptist churches, to-wit Macedonia, Obids, Zion Hill, neither one of which is able to live without help from the state mission board.

Bro Lescoe, from Threefork, Association was recognized and took a seat in the association. Preaching at the grove by Eld. W. W. White, at 11 a. m.

On motion the moderator with the aid of the clerk was instructed to appoint a committee on education to consider the propriety and advisability of establishing a denomenational school in our bounds and take such ac-

tion as they may deem best.

Brethren M. M. Blevins, and E. Blevins, were appointed a committe on obituaries

The reports on State, Home, and Foreign Missions were read and their discussion postponed 'till tomorrow morning at 10, o'clock

The report on temperence was read and pending its adoption the association took a recess 'till 1, o'clock.

AFTERNOON.

The association resumed business at 1' o'clock.

The report on Temperence was discussed by Elds. J. Norris and L. W. Farthing. It was adopted.

Temperance.

As intemperane is one of the greatest evils of our time, we would advise that all adhere strictly to the admonition of Paul to be temperate in all things, and to abstain from strong drink, and that the churches and pastors carry out the 12th article of our constitution.—E. Tucker. E. Blevins.

The following resolutions of sympathy to Eld. T. M. Duncan, was adopted.

Whereas we have learned with sorrow of the untimely death of the son of our beloved brother Rev. T. M. Duncan therefore, be it resolved, that we tender our dear Bro. and his family our deepest sympathy in their sore trial, and pray our Heavenly Father to comfort and support him in this great affliction.—J. F. Fletcher,

The following report on colportage was read and adopted, after being discussed by Shoaf, Tucker, and Fletcher.

Report on Colportage.

Dear brethren, we urge that the executive committee of this association employ one good brother to carry on this work, we believe the colportage work to be a grand thing in the bounds of this association. At present we have none. Let us have one in the field next year.—E. L Tucker, J. J. Bennett.

Preaching at the grove at 2, o'clock by Eld. J. Norris.

On motion the 9th article of the constitution was changed, so as to have the executive committee composed of three brethern in place of five.

The report on ministerial education was read and discussed by Fletcher, White, and Stanley, and adopted as follows:

Ministerial Education.

We realize the necessity and importance of a better educated ministry. While we have the noble men of God, who have made our country what it is religiously, yet we believe that their success would have been greater, if they had been better equipped. Therefore, we urge upon our churches the necessity of requiring their young ministers to secure the best education possible.

We recommend Wake Forest College and the Theological Seminary at Louisville, Ky., for advanced students, and for those seeking an academic Education we necommend Solitude Academy to all our people, under the tutorship of Prof. L. M. Farthing, as worthy the patronage of all.—J. F. Fletcher.

Prof. L. M. Farthing, reported as a correspondent from the Threefork association and took a seat with the association.

The committee on religious exercises reported preaching for to-morrow at 11, o.clock by Eld. J. F. Fletcher, and Eld L. W. Farthing.

The report on Periodicals, was read and spoken to by Tucker, and Stantley, and adopted.

Periodicals.

We, your committee on Periodicals wish to emphasize the importance of our people reading baptist literature, so that they may become better acquainted with the work of our denomination. We recommend that our ministers take the lead in this, and give their influence to baptist literature among our people. We recommend the Biblical Recorder and Charity and Children, and we urge all our people to take and read the Foreign Mission Journal, published at Richmond, Va., price 35c, per single copy, or 25c, in clubs of 10. We also recommend the Home Field, devoted to the work of the Home Mission Board.—G. L. Porter, J. A. Wagoner.

The report of committee on time and place of next meeting was submitted and adopted, viz: Time Tuesday before the 1st Sunday in Oct. 1902. Place, Bristol church, two miles north of Jefferson. Eld. E. Tucker, principal, Eld. J. F. Stanley, alternate.

The committee on finance, submitted the following report which was adopted.

Your committee on finance have the following to submit from the churches:

Received for minute fund	$18.90
Contribution by the association for minute fund	$1 16
Total for minute fund	$20.06

Foreign Missions	$3 15
State "	$2.35
Home "	$1.00
Orphanage	$2.37
Associational Missions	$0.73
Ministerial Relief fund	$0 50
Total	$10.10

Total amount received.....$30 16

L J Sturgil, M. M. Blevins, Com.

The committee who nominated an executive com mittee offered the following names as the executive com- for next year and their recommendation was confirmed by the association, towit, J. D. Roberts, H. A. Eller, L. J. Sturgil. The association adjourned till 9, o'clock to morrow morning. Prayer by Eld. J. F. Stantley, Benediction by Eld R L Shoaf.

THIRD DAY.

Thursday, Oct 3, 1901, the association met at 9, o'clock, and spent 30, minutes in devotional exercise conducted by Eld. E, Blevins. and came to order for business at 9:30. The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The following resolutions of thanks was adopted.

The thanks of this assosiation are due, and are hereby tender- ed to Miss Fannie E. S. Heck, President of the Woman's Central Committee, at Raleigh, and to our Executive Committee for the interest they have taken in securing for us the service of so many cultured and christian young ladies, who gratuitiously have given us their services as teachers for two months during the past summer, We also wish to record our unqualified appreciation of the young ladies themselves, and we pray that the richest blessings may rest and abide with them in their labors of love.—J. F. Fletcher.

The following report on Obituaries was adopted.

Your committee has learned with sorrow of the death of one aged minister, and some other dear brethren and sisters who have died within the last year, but not being furnished with the necessary information respecting their lives and date of deaths, we cannot give their obituaries, and we suggest that that the brother Clerk devote small space in our minutes to Obituaries and if he is furnished with the proper data before the minutes go to press, that he formulate a brief obituary, and that those desiring the names of

the deceased to appear upon our minutes, furnish him the necessary information.—E. Blevins, M. M. Blevins.

The reports on State, Home, and Foreign Missions were taken up and discussed by Elds. Fletcher, White, and Glenn, and a cash collection, for our missionary on the past year, was taken and paid to him. Amount $5.-51.

The churches were called on to pledge for a field Missionary for next year and responded as follows. (the delegates of some churches having left for their homes, and some churches not being represented during the session, they will be expected to contribute to this work.)

Apple Grove, $1.00, Brushyfork, $5,00.

(This pledge was made by Eld W. W. White, in the absence of the delegates)

Baptist Home, $5.00, E. H. Grabeal, $2.50.

Bethel, $5.00.

Beaver Creek, $5.00.

Big Laurel, $3.00.

Bristol, $2.00.

Clifton, $2 00.

Corinth $2 00.

Forest Home, $5.00.

Healing Springs, $10 00.

($1 00 to go to each department of our work, and balance to the Missionary work in our association, which will be $2 00)

Landmark, $4,00.

Longbranch, $2.00.

Mission Home, $3.00.

Mt. View, $6.00,

New River, $2.00.

Peak Valley, $5,00.

Pleasant Home. $2.00. (or more.)

Windfall, $2.50.

The reports were adopted as appears below.

Preaching at the grove at 12, m, by Elds. J. F. Fletcher, and L. W. Farthing.

Report of State Missions.

The State Mission Board in the prosecution of its work, has to meet three problems, in the diferent sections of the state. Each

requiring a seperate line of treatment. The eastern part of the state with false teaching of our doctrines demands a correct presentation of the truth as we believe it. The Middle section with its factory interest needs to be organized and held togather with our own western country, with its baptistic principles requires that our people should be educated, educated to know their worth and infleuence, educated as to what are their duties and privaleges. These problems, the boord is trying to meet. It has over one hundred missionaries in the eastern part of the state alone, and still the destitution is not met. By direction of the state convention the board has increased its work 25 per cent and there should be a correspondng increase on the part of the churches We urge the hearty co-operation with the State Board in its work and liberal contributions to its support. —J. D. Roberts.

Report on Home Missions.

Dear Brethren, the command of our Lord is imperative, to go and diciple all nations, and while there are different and important fields, there is no work of more importance than that done by our Home Mission Board, located at Atlanta, Ga. Nearly 500 Missionaries at prosent in the field, whose labors God is blessing, and yet there is great need. There was never a time when we had greater opportunities to posses the land, with less opposition. than now. While God is blessing the work, let us rise to the help of his cause, with our means and with our prayers that those who "Set in darkness may see the light of the gospel," (Romans. x: xiv and xv.)—R. L. Shoaf.

Report on Foreign Missions.

Seeing the great need of more workers, the Board decided to increase its force at the meeting of the Convention last May. About 20 new Missionaries were sent out last year, and the work has greatly prospered—1009 baptisms were reported last year. The disturbance in China has subsided. and the workers have returned to their fields with several new ones to aid in the work. and it is believed that the new China will be more open to the gospel than the old. The question is: Will we embrace the wonderful opportunity which is presented to us? Let us aid this work We urge our churches to contribute to this cause and pray for the work and workers, and we urge our people to read Mission literature which can be obtained by reading the Foreign Mission Journal, published at Richmond. Va., price 25c per year.—H. A, Eller.

The Association took recess for one hour to hear a sermon by Eld. J. F. Fletcher

At 1. o'clock the association came to order

Eld J. F. Fletcher was appointed a delegate to the State Convention,

On motion the report on Time and Place of meeting was reconsidered and amended as now appears in these minutes.

The clerk was instructed to expend the minute fund for minutes of these proceedings, deducting $5 for his services.

The following brethern volunteered and were appointed correspondents to the different associations:

New River Association, J. F. Fletcher, E. Tucker, L. J. Sturgill.

Allegheny and Grayson: E. Tucker, W. H. Glenn.

Three fork, J. F. Fletcher, R. L. Shoaf, T. F. Ray.

The Moderator announced the following list of standing committees for next session:

On Foreign Missions, J. F. Fletcher, E L. Tucker.
Home " " J F. Stanley, L. J. Sturgill.
State " " J. D. Roberts, W. H Gentry.
Temperence, T. M Duncan, A. E. Graybeal.
Ministerial Education, P. H. Hare, A. L. Fletcher.
Colportage, R. L. Shoaf, R. F. Johnson.
Periodicals, E. Blevins, C. A. Dickson.
Orphanage, H. A. Eller, G L. Porter.

Educational Committee authorized by this session. J. D. Roberts, H. A. Eller, L. J. Sturgill. J. F. Fletcher, G. L Porter, John Robertson, M. M. Blevins.

The report on Orphanage was read and discussed by Fletcher, Shoaf, White, Davis and Glenn, and adopted as appears below, a contribution was made to its support to the amount of $2 42.

Report on Orphanage.

Your Committee regard this Institution as one of the greatest, asi le from the church, that we have, and well deserves to be sustained by us, having there a home for the unfortunate children of the State, where they are fed, clothed and schooled, mentally, physical and morally We can turn this element of our State to great usefulness rather than allow it to drift into idleness and be lost. This institution can be aided easily—provisions, clothing, and the like, answers the purpose of money, and we urge all our churches to aid in this work regularly. Brethren, we can do much if we only try, and keep the orphans and bring a blessing upon ourselves. The Lord has commanded this· let us receive the blessing,—J. Roberston, R. L. Shoaf.

The following resolutions were adopted.

(a) Realizing the great need of Colportage work in our bounds we suggest that the executive committee be instructed to select and procure the services of one man

to work on this line.

(b) That where as God has so graciously blessed us in the past that we set apart and observe the 2nd sunday in Nov. 1901. as a day of fasting and prayer and thanksgiving to Almighty God.

(c) That we as a body tender our thanks to the brethren, sisters, and friends, of this church and community for their kindness to us during the sitting of this association.—R. L, Shoaf.

Elder J. F. Fletcher was appointed a delegate to the next session of the Southern Baptist Convention.

On motion the Association adjourned to time and place before mentioned. Remarks by the Moderator.

Prayer by Elder W. H. Glenn.

The delegates sang, "How Firm a Foundation," and took the parting hand.

Benediction by Elder J. F. Fletcher.

Thus passed another pleasant, and we hope profitable meeting.

H A. Eller, Secretary Elder Elihu Tucker, Moderator.

Obituaries.

B. A. Fletcher was born July 7, 1828: died June 24, 1901; age 72 yrs 11 mos, 17 days. She was a consistent member of the first Missionary church organized in Ashe county. She was perfectly resigned and willing to go. She reared two children -Rev. J. F. Fletcher and Alice. She was left a widow early in life and remained such to death, notwilhstanding the hardships and privations incident to widowhood, she maintained an unsoiled character and died the death of a true christian.—H. A. Eller.

Mahala Tucker, born June 25th. 1821, 80 yrs, 3 mos. 22 days old. A member of Apple Grove church nearly 50 yrs. and was one of the four who first constituted White Top church, nearly 60 yrs ago. Mother of 11 children, 3 daughters and 8 sons; 2 daughter and 2 sons having preceded her to the spirit world. She was wife of David Tucker, Sen, and mother of Rev E. Tucker. A kind companion and a good mother is gone. "Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord; they rest from their labors and their works do follow them."

Rev. Nathan Phillips, born Mar. 26. 1825; died Oct, 27, 1900; age 75 yrs, 7 mos, 1 d. Professed faith at 22 yrs. He lived in the Baptist church 53 yrs. A good man is gone He was ever ready to do what could for the cause of Christ. He leaves a widow and 5 children, who have the sympathy of this association.

James Ashley died May 5, 1901, 87 yrs old. a member of the church 50 yrs. He was brutally murdered by an insane man. We trust he is at rest. He leaves 4 children.

Others Brethren and sisters have passed away during the year, but we have not the necessary information to make notice of them. —Clerk.

Statistical Table.

Churches,	Post Offices,	Baptized	Rec'd by Letr	Dism'd by Letr	Deceased	Excluded	Males	Females	Total
Apple Grove	Weasel, N.C.				1		26	52	78
Baptist Home	Solitude, "	1	1	4			9	21	30
Bethel	Nettle Knob, "	9	5	9	2		53	67	120
Bethlehem	Baldwin, "	9	7				9	14	23
Beaver Creek	Beaver Creek, "			1	1		18	21	39
Big Laurel	Grigsby, "	7	2	1			11	16	27
Bristol	Jefferson, "	8	3		1	1	16	34	50
Brushy Fork	Wheeler, "	4	1				29	54	83
Buffalo	Treetop, "	2		1			32	69	101
Clifton	Clifton, "	4					22	16	38
Corinth	Rugby, Va.	8			3		38	60	98
Forest Home	Berlin, N.C.			1			18	18	36
Friendship	Idol, "	8					17	40	57
*Grayson's Ch'l	Jones, "								
Heal'g Springs	Crumpler, "	7	4	4	2	2	28	42	70
Jefferson	Jefferson, "		2				21	13	34
Landmark	Bud, "	4	4	3			46	76	122
Long Branch	Ashley, "	3					15	10	25
*Macedonia	Idlewild, "								
Mission Home	Fleetwood, "	3		3			25	46	71
Mt. View	Grigsby, "		1	6		2	24	33	57
Meadow View	Vernon, "							35	
New River	Weaver's Ford,	11	5				33	53	86
*Obids	Idlewild, "								
Peak Valley	Dyson, "	3	3	2			17	35	52
Pleasant Home	ussex, "	34	6	1		2	32	43	75
Pleasant Hill	Klplin, Va.	1					22	34	56
Threetop	Trout, N.C.								
Windfall	Weasel, "	1	1				14	21	35
Zion Hill	Wagoner, "								8
Net gain 19 3 chs not given		127	45	36	10	7	477	889	2327

*The reason that there are no estimate on the membership of Grayson's Chapel, Macedonia and Obids, is because there were no statistics printed for last year, and I have no means of knowing.

☞Liberty church having become extinct it was ordered dropped from the roll.

S. S. STATISTICS.

Churches.	No of Schools	Officers & Tch	Scholars	Total	Average atten	Am't literat're	Expenses	
Apple Grove	1	6	131	137	65		1.29	
Bethel	2	12	120	132	62		.50	
Bethlehem	1		47		28			
Beaver Creek	1	6	15		30			
Big Laurel	1	6	64		38			
Bristol	1						1.50	
Brushy Fork	1	7	43	50		248	2.25	
Clifton	1	5	76	81	24		2.30	
Corinth	1		98					
Jefferson	1	6	34					
Landmark	1	6	63	70	50	60	2.00	
Pleasant Hill	1	8	69	77	35		1.75	
Peak Valley	1	7	50	57				
Windfall	1	4	40	44				
Total	15	73	880	516	332	308	$11.25	

Churches,	Pastors	Post Offices.	Clerks	Post Office	Paid Pastor	Missions Associational	State Missions	Home Miss'ns	Foreign Miss'n	Orphanage	Minute Man's Relief	Incidental	Building	Sabbath
Apple Grove	J F Walton	Green Cove, Va	A Prewitt	Hermitage, N.C								1 00		2
Baptist Home	W H Michael	Tracy, N. C.	L J Sturgill	Parker, "	10.40	3 37						65	1 50	2
Bethel	P H Hare	Fleetwood, "	J P Goodman	Nettle Knob,	25.00		1 00			54		1 00		2
Bethlehem	J F Fletcher	Jefferson, "	R F Johnson	Baldwin, "	25.00				1 90			50		
Beaver Creek	P H Hare	Fleetwood, "	J L Goopman	Beaver Creek	13.00					60		60		3
Big Laurel	W H Glenn	Grigsby, "	N Stewart	Graybeal, "	4.20		40		50	25		50		4
Bristol	(Not given)		(Not given)		2.70				2 00					2
Brushy Fork	L A Wilson	Sutherland, "	M Rominger	Wheeler, "								72		2
Buffalo	L A Wilson	" "	H A Campbell	Beaver Creek,	23 52		1 65					1 00		3
Clifton	E Blevins	Blevins, "	W T Miller	Clifton, "	8.20							50		2
Corinth	E W Reedy	Rugby, Va	J F Plummer	Rugby, Va.	8.25		30			27		1 00		2
Forest Home	E Tucker	Bud, N. C.	H A Eller	Berlin, N.C.	19 00	5 00	3 70	1 42	1 00	2 00		1 15		2
Friendship	E Blevins	Blevins, "	R M Burkett	Idol, "	5.50							55		4
Grayson's Ch'l	(No report)													
Heal'g Springs	E Blevins	Blevins, "	I N Hudler	Crumpler, "	20.00			1 00	1 50		50	75	2 00	1
Jefferson	J F Fletcher	Jefferson, "	C C Graybeal	Jefferson, "	100.00		4 30		8 86	1 20		1 00	2 88	3
Windfall	E Tucker	Bud, "	L M Brinegar	Bud. "	17.75	1 50						1 50	5 00	4
Landmark	E Tucker	" "	E L Tucker	Weasel, "	12.00							1 00		300 3
Long Branch	R L Shoaf	Linney, "	John Welch	Ashley, "	4.50					25		25		4
Macedonia	J F Fletcher	Jefferson. "	A N Johnson	Idlewild, "										
Mission Home	A Brewn	Riverside, "	Wm Howell	Fleetwood, "	20 00					1 00		75		1
Mt. View	J R Brown	Green Cove, Va	S C Barker	Grayson, "	22.25							75	20	2
Meadow View	(No report)													
New River	E Tucker	Bud, "	M W Blevins	Weaver's Ford,	20 00							1 25		1
Obids	(No report)		W Hartzog	Obids, "										
Peak Valley	L A Wilson	Sutherland, "	J Robertson	Dyson, "	7 69	5 00				1 00		50		4
Pleasant Home	J G Henderson	Rugby Va	W R Lovelace	Sussex, "	125.00							1 50		4
[illegible]'l	A J Hart	Green Cove, "	V C Howell	Kiplin, Va.								1 00	27	3
	(No report)													
	(No report)													
bjects $1133.70; total to S. S. $11.25 plus $1133.79=$1144.95					Total $523.96	14.87	11.35	2.42	15.75	7.04	50	19.22	11.58	327.

Constitution.

1 This body shall be called "The Ashe Association."

2 The object of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the gospel in our bounds, and in all the world, and in this work the association will co-operate with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina

3 The members of this body shall be all the ordained ministers of the churches composing the association, and three delegates from each, who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment and giving statistics of the membership and work of the churches.

4 At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a Moderator, a Clerk and Treasurer, in such a way as the association may direct. The last two offices may be held by the same brother.

5 The Moderator shall preside at the meeting, preserve order, appoint committees and perform such other duties as are usually required of presiding officers.

6 The Clerk shall keep a correct record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing ond distributing to the churches these proceeedings.

7 The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent up to the association, pay them out as the association may direct, and make report at each annual session.

8 The association shall hold annual meetings at such times and places as may be agreed upon.

9 At each annual session there shall be appointed an Executive Committee of 3 brethren, who shall look after the destitution in the bounds of this association and co-operate with State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention, making to the next session a report of the wosk done, and the general state of mission work.

10 At each annual session there shall be appointed committees to make reports at the subsequent session on the following subjects: Foreign Missions, Home Missions, State Missions, Ministerial Education, Baptist Orphanage. Periodicals, and Temperance.

11 Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

12 The association will not receive or retain in permanent fellowship any church that retain in its fellowship any member who is disorderly in doctrine or practice or who makes, sells or in any way deals in ardent spirits as a beverage.

13 This Constitution mry be amended by a vote of two thirds of the members present at any annual session.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1 Introductory sermon. 2 Enrollment of delegates. 3 Election of officers. 4 Reception of new churches. 5 Reading Constitution. 6 Rules of Order Abstracts of Principles. 6 Appointment of committees 7 Report of Executive Committee. 8 Report of committees. 9 Miscellaneous.

Rules of Order.

1. Every session shall be opened and closed by prayer.
2. When the Moderator calls the association to order, every member shall at once take his seat.
3. When a member wishes to speak he shall arise and address the Moderator and not proceed until he has been recognized.
4. No member shall speak more than twice on any subject except by the permission of the body, and not over fifteen minutes at a time.
5. No member shall leave the body during its session without permission of the Moderator.
6. It will be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold private conversation while the Moderator or any member is speaking.

Abstract of Principles.

We believe in one only true and living God: and that there are three persons in the God head the Father, the Son and Holy Ghost, and that these three are one.

2. We believe that the Bible—the Old and New Testaments—is the word of God and the only rule of faith and practice.
3. We believe that salvation is by Grace. through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.
4. We believe in the impotency of man and the sovereignty of God.
5. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ, to be practiced only by believers in their Scriptural order.
6. We believe that baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator. And that only those who are thus baptized are in fellowship with the church in feeling and doctrine should take the Lord's Supper.
7. We believe in final perseverance of the the Saints in Grace to Glory.
8 We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a General Judgment.
9. We believe that the existence of the righteous and of the wicked will both be of eternal duration and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

Report of Treasurer.

RECEIVED.

From Finance Committee	$18	90
From contribution by the Association	1	16
Later, from Mission Home church		75
Total	20	81
Foreign Missions	3	15
State "	2	35
Home "	1	00
Orphanage	2	37
Associational Missions		73
Ministers' Relief		50
Contribution by Association to Orphanage	2	42
	12	53
Total amount Received	33	33

PAID OUT.

Printing and mailing minutes	15	00
Clerk Fee	5	00
Mailing, etc.		81
	20	81
P. O. Money Order to Walters Durham, Treasurer State Convention, including mailing, expenses, etc	11	79
	32	60
Paid to J.F. Fletcher, Missionary, on Associational Missions		73
Total paid out	33	33

H. A. ELLER, Treas.

Ashe Baptist Association

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Directory

Officers

ELIHU TUCKER, Moderator, Bud, N. C.

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J. ELLER, Berlin, N. C.

Executive Committee.

J. D. ROBERTS, Jefferson, N. C.

L. J. STURGILL, Packer, N. C.

AMBROSE CLARK, Crow, N. C.

Ordained Ministers.

Barker, W. F., Bud, N. C.; Blackburn, S., Bud, N. C.; Blevins, S., Kiplin, N. C.; Blevins, O., Kiplin, N. C.; Blevins, E., Crumpler, N. C.; Carter, L. M., Sugar, N. C.; Campbell, N., Thaxton, N. C.; Calloway, A. N., Jefferson, N. C.; Dupree, T. M., Beaver Creek, N. C.; Davis, N. H., Grayson, N. C.; Glenn, W. H., Grigsby, N. C.; Hurley, A., Thaxton, N. C.; Hurst, P. H., Fleetwood, N. C.; Henderson, J. G., Rugby, Va.; Hart, J. R., Rye, N. C.; Phillips, H., Neds Knob, N. C.; Reedy, E. W., Rugby, Va.; Osborne, W. A., Roaring, N. C.; Neaves, J. M., Bud, N. C.; Taylor, E. G., Bud, N. C.; Shoar, R. L., Warrensville, N. C.; Stanley, J. F., Graybeal, N. C.; Tucker E., Bud, N. C.; Fletcher, Jefferson, N. C.; J. O. Johnson, Reece, N. C.; G. W. Parsons, Clifton, N. C.

Note.—There may be others or some of those may have taken letters from our churches. This is our best information from the letters.

CLERK.

MINUTES

of

Ashe Association,

Sixteenth Annual Session,

Bristol Baptist Church,

Ashe County, N. C.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30th, 1902.

Next Session at Conrad
Ch. Grayson Co. Va
Tuesday after 2nd Sun. in Sept.

Proceedings.

The Ashe Baptist Association met with the Bristol Church on its XVI Annual Session. The Introductory Sermon was preached by Eld. Elihu Tucker at 11 a. m.; text Acts X chap 33 verse: "Now therefore are we all here present before God to hear all things that are commanded thee of God."

The Association was led in prayer by Elder L. C. Wilson. The list of churches was called and letters from most of them were presented and read by Bros. Ambrose Clark and A. N. Johnson, and a roll of delegates made as follows, viz:

Apple Grove, S. Tucker, Ambrose Clark.
Baptist Home, E. H. Graybeal, R. Lewis, L. J. Sturgill.
Bethel, W. Philipps, J. F. Pearson.
Bethlehem, R. F. Johnson, C. Goodman.
Beaver Creek, J. L. Goodman, C. Tomlinson, T. F. Ray, T. M. Duncan.
Big Laurel, J. T. Glenn, N. Stewart.
Bristol, J. N. Calloway, E. C. Taylor, L. McLure, A. Sheets, T. J. Day.
Brushy Fork, H. Parsons.
Buffalo, S. A. Campbelle.
Clifton, J. G. Miller.
Corinth, J. C. Plummer.
Forest Home, R. L. Shoaf,, I. M. Carter, H. A. Eller.
Friendship, E. F. Marsh, H. A. Witherspoon, T. R. Luther.
Healing Springs, M. Blevins, I. N. Hudler, E. Blevins.
Jefferson, W. H. Gentry, A. E. Graybeal, A. S. Eller.
Landmark, J. Blevins, R. Jones, A. P. Howell, W. F. Barker.
Long Branch, J. Welch.
Mission Home, C. Williams, J. M. Teag, Wm. Howell.
Mt. View, L. C. Barker, W. E. Perry, T. M. Lazenby, N. H. Davis.
Meadow view, (no delegates.)

New River, N. Dancy, J. J. Garvey, M. Davis, J. M. Neaves.
Obids, (no delegates.)
Old Fields, A. N. Johnson.
Peak Valley, J. Eldreth, W. Lewis.
Pleasant Home, J. W. Hudler, W. R. Lovelace.
Pleasant Hill, A. L. Stamper, A. H. Barker, V. C. Howell.
Windfall, W. O. Vannoy, J. A. Wagoner, E. Tucker, A. Hurley.
Zion Hill, (no delegates.)

On motion the regular order was suspended and an opportunity was extended to churches wishing to unite with this Association, and a delegate presented a letter from Old Fields church asking membership with this Association and on motion the letter and delegate were recognized and the church received under the watch-care of this body until said church has opportunity to obtain a letter from the Blue Ridge Association.

On motion the Association proceeded to ballot for officers, Eld. L. C. Wilson and D. S. Lee being Tellers, who after receiving the vote reported Elder Elihu Tucker, Moderator and H. A. Eller, Clerk and Treasurer, who accepted and proceeded to their respective duties.

Reading the Constitution, Rules of Order and Abstract of Principles was engaged in.

Visiting and Correspondents were recognized and invited to seats, viz: Threeforks Association, Eld. L. C. Wilson, correspondent and Eld, A. Brown, visitor. D. S. Lee from the Blue Ridge Association; Elder A. J. Hart from the New River Association; J. H. Doughton from the Alleghany and Grayson Associotion.

The chair announced the following committees to report at this session.

On Religious Exercises, Pastor and Delegates of this church with Bros. W. H. Gentry and J. A. Blevins. On Finance, M. M. Blevins, Ambrose Clark and A. N. Johnson. On Resolutions, E. Blevins, T. M. Duncan and R. L. Shoaf. On Time Place and Preacher for

next meeting, L. J. Sturgill, F. Plummer, Wm. Howell, W. Phillips, J. D. Roberts. To nominate an Executive Committee J. G. Miller, W. R. Lovelace, A. E. Graybeal. Bro. D. S. Lee was asked to prepare report on Ministerial Education in the absence of the original committee.

The Comittee on Religious Exercises submitted the following program for preaching tomorrow: Elder L. C. Wilson at 11 a. m. and Eld. A. J. Hart at 3 p. m. The report of the Executive Committee was read by J. D. Roberts and spoken to and explained by chairman of committee, and the further consideration of the report was deferred till to-morrow. Agreed to adjourn till 8:30 to-morrow morning, spend 30 minutes in devotional exercises and begin business Promptly at 9 o'cl'k recess at 12 m., begin business at 1 p. m. and adjourn at will.

Prayer by Elder T. M. Duncan.

Benediction by Dlder J. F. Fletcher.

SECOND DAY.

Wednesday Morning. October 1, 1902.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment and spent 30 minutes in devotional exercises conducted by Elder S. Blevins and came to order for business at 9 a. m.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved and the roll of delegates was called and corrected.

On motion the clerk was instructed to open a column in the minutes to report contributions to the Baptist Female University. The Committe on State Missions submitted a report and was discussed in connection with the report of the Executive Committee, by Elders Fletcher, Wilson Blevins, Brown, and Duncan, and by Bros. Doughton and Roberts. The reports were adopted.

Report of Executive Committee.

To the Ashe Baptist Association:

The Constitution of the Association makes it the

duty of your Executive Committee to look after the destitution within the bounds of the Association and co-operate with the Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention.

This we have tried to do, but the destitution is so great that it is impossible to cover the ground with the means at our command.

Elder J. F. Fletcher has been continued in the same field since our last session and has accomplished much good, especially in the Southern section of the county.

In addition to his regular appointments, viz: Jefferson, Bethlehem, Macedonia and Obids he has made two or three preaching tours, preaching to several churches each time, principally on the subjects of Missions, the great theme of all Evanjelical Churches and especially so of our own denomination.

We enclose herewith Bro. Fletcher's report and ask its incorporation in the minutes of this session. We note the report of last sesion of this body in regard to Colportage, and would have been glad to had a Colporter in the field, but were not able to do so for want of funds.

To do effectual work, or even work of any kind in this line would require at least $50.00; this we did not have at our command and no authority from the Association for securing it.

Some work was done also in the line of volunteer Mission teaching the past summer, but not so much as formerly, owing to many public schools being taught during the summer.

Miss Heck, the Secratary in charge of this work in the State offered us for the year thirteen teachers, but only four could be used, and these did good work.

The necessity of earnest work in all departments of the work within our bounds was never greater, and we urge enlarged contributions for its prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. ROBERTS, Chairman.

Report of Elder J. F. Fletcher, Missionary For The 11 Months Ending Oct. 1st, 1902.

Sermons preached 138; Families visited 130; Conversions witnessed27; Baptised 3; Received by letter 19; New Sunday Schools organized 1.

Collections—Associational Missions $30.48; State Missions $19.51; Home Missions $3.30; Foreign Missions $5.04; Sunday School and Colportage $1.00; Education $1.00; Ministerial Relief $1.00; Orphanage $2.00; Baptist Female University $25.75; Total for all objects $89.08.

STATE MISSIONS.

Resolved that we heartily endorse the State Mission Board and its work in our Association and pledge ourselves to its support.

W. H. GENTRY, J. F. Fletcher, Committee.

Report on State Missions.

This Association was organized for the purpose of doing more efficient work in extending the Gospel. Furthermore we are to co-operate with the Baptist State Convention in the prosecution of its work.

One of the principal departments of the Convention's work is the Missionary efforts within the bounds of our State. In fact, the history of the Baptist State Convention is a history to a large extent, of Missions in our State. We, here in this section, have reaped large benefits from the mission work of the Convention, and it is a duty incumbent upon each of us to contribute of our means to this cause.

Submitted, J. D. ROBERTS, }
W. H. GENTRY, } Committee

The report on Orphanage was read and spoken to by Fletcher, Roberts and Shaf and a collection was taken for the Orphanage; amount $5.10 and the report adopted as follows:

Baptist Orphanage.

Your committee has only to say that we believe that we have no work more binding on us for support, nor one which promises more for the good of humanity, or our denomination than the work of caring for the orphans of our State as done by the Orphanage under our support and control. We urge regular and liberal contributions to its support by all our churches.

Submitted, H. A. ELLER.

The report of Foreign Missions was road by Elder J. F. Fletcher, and pending its adoption the Association took recess till 1 o'clock, p. m.

Prayer by Elder E. Blevins

AFTERNOON.

The Association renewed business at 1 o'clock. The report on Time, Place and Preacher for next meeting was submitted and adopted as follows:

Tuesday after the second Sunday in September. 1903, Corinth Church, Grayson County, Va,, near the State Line.

Elder J. F. Fletcher to preach the Introductory Sermon.

The report on Home Missions was read by L. J. Sturgill and was discussed in connection with report on Foreign Missions by Fletcher, Lovelace, Glenn, Doughton and adopted.

During the consideration of these reports, individual subscriptions were taken from the following named brethren: Sisters and friends for the support of an additional Missionary in our bounds to be selected and under the direction of the Executive Commiter, in the belief that this amount will be supplemented by the State Board of Missions.

Names of subscribers to said fund: J. F. Fletcher $10, L. J. Sturgill $5, E. H. Graybeal $5, Mrs, E. H. Graybeal $5, Ambrose Clark $5, A. S. Eller $10: J. D.

Thomas $10, J. D. Roberts $10, H. A. Eller $10, T. F. Ray $10, John Glenn $5, M. M. Blevins $5. Total $100.

The following Resolution was adopted:

Whereas, we hear with regret a charge against Clifton Church, viz: They received a member who had been excluded from a sister church into their fellowship without his having been restored to fellowship by his former church. Namely, Elder J. C. Johnson. Resolved therefore, that we appoint a committee of five discreet and decipled brethren to fully investigate the aforesaid charge and advise Clifton Church accordingly and report to the next session of this body; and by motion authority was given said committee, if they deem fit, to report on the state of other churches, whereupon the chair subsequently appointed Bros. J. Eller, A. P. Howell, M. M. Blevins. T. F. Bay, W. R. Lovelace as such committee.

The report on Periodicals was read and spoken to by Elds. Blevins, Lee, and Fletcher.

The report was adopted as follows:

Periodicals.

Your committee recommends the Biblical Recorder and the Blue Ridge Baptist and the Foreign Mission Journal together with the Home Field and we urge our people to take and read our Baptist literature.

E. BLEVINS, Com.

Elders Shoaf and Blevins were appointed to report at this session on Obituaries.

The report of the Committee on Education was read and discussed by Doughton and Goodman from the Catawba River Association. The report was adopted and the committee continued to confer with a similar committee from Alleghany and Grayson Association with instructions to establish a Denominational School if practical during the coming year.

The Committee on Religious Exercises reported preaching for to-morrow at half past 10 o'clock, a. m., by Eld. E. Blevins and at 2 p. m., by Eld. J. F. Fletcher. The report on Ministerial Education was read by

D. S. Lee, the consideration of which was left for to-morrow. The Association adjourned till half past 8 o'clock to-morrow.

Prayer by D. S. Lee. Benediction by the Moderator.

THIRD DAY, THURSDAY, OCT. 2, 1902.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment and spent 30 minutes in Devotional Exercises conducted by Elder W. F. Barker and began business at 9 o'clock a. m. The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved with slight corrections. The report on Ministerial Education having been read on yesterday was spoken to by Duncan, Davis, Goodman Ray, the Moderator, Roberts, Lovelace, and Taylor. The report was adopted as follows:

Report on Ministerial Education.

The present condition of Christianity in this mountain country is due to an uneducated Ministry in a large measure, and we can boast of a success gained by our Father in the past. They deserve much honor for the great work they accomplished under great disadvantages. The great effort that is being made to educate the people as a whole, makes it very essential for our young ministers to be educated, and as it seems to be the will of God to call into his Vineyard to preach the Gospel young men without means, we urge our people to lend a helping hand to such needy young men to procure an English Education at least.

D. S. LEE, Com.

The report on temperance was read by Elder T. M. Duncan and spoken to by the same, Lovelace, Sturgill, and Shoaf. The report was adopted as follows:

Intemperance

The greatest sin that the Devil has ever introduced into the world to destroy both soul and body, and yet to our sorrow, we find professed Christians who claim to be the light of the world aiding and abetting in carrying on the work of Intemperance, clogging the wheels of Zion and helping to carry on Satan's Kingdom.

Again to the XII Article of our Constitution. Shall we as an Association carry it out? Or shall we strike it out? Your committee advise that the entire XII Article be carried out.

T. M. DUNCAN, A. E. GRAYBEAL, Com.

The report on Colportage was read by R. L. Shoaf and discussed by Fletcher, Roberts, and others. $10.-28 was raised by individual gifts as an Associational fund, to be kept as a fund to do Colportage work with from year to year and to be kept as a permanent fund for this work with the hope of increasing it in the future.

Colportage.

Your Committee on Colportage are unable to give any report notwithstanding Colportage is one of the most important branches of our work, yet it is neglected and has been for some time. Nothing has been done, hence nothing to repopt; but we would insist upon the Executive Committee and brethren to take some steps to secure one or more active, energetic men to travel as Colporter in the bounds of the Ashe Association, during the ensuing year at least.

R. L. SHOAF, }
R. F. JOHNSON; } Committee.

The Association took recess till 1 o'clock.

AFTERNOON.

The Association resumed business at one o'clock and the report of nominating an Executive Committee was read and adopted as follows: Bros. J. D. Roberts Ambrose Clark, L. J. Sturgill as Executive Committee. Elder W. B. Wyatt was invited and excepted a seat in the Association.

The report of Committee on Finance was submitted by M. M. Blevins. The report was received, the totals being the following: Minute fund $23.10; Home Missions $1.00; State Missions $1.33; Orphanage $1.78; Minister s relief 10c; Foreign Missions $2.73; Associational Missions $10.35; Education 10c; S. S. and Colportage 10c. Total $40.59.

The chair announced the following list of Standing Committees to report at next session, viz: On Foreign Missions, J, F. Fletcher and A. E. Graybeal; On Home Missions, R. L. Shoaf, J, M. Neaves; On State Missions, T. M. Duncan, M. M. Blevins; On Ministerial Education, J. D. Roberts, J. T. Glenn; On Orphanage, M. M. Blevins, H. A. Eller; Temperance, J. M. Neaves, E. Tucker; Periodicals, E. C. Taylor, W. F. Barker.

The Committee on Obituaries offered a report which was given a place in the minutes. The following brethren were appointed delegates to the Baptist State Convention, viz: J. D Roberts, Elder J. F. Fletcher and Elder J. M. Feaves.

The following brethren were appointed Correspondents to the different sister Associations: Three Forks, T. M. Cuncan, R. L. Shoaf; Alleghany and Grayson, E. Blevins, J. N. Calloway and E. Tucker; New River, W. F. Barker, J. M. Neaves and E. C. Taylor.

On motion the Clerk was instructed to expend the money for minutes in his hands, in printing and distributing the minutes to the churches, deducting $5 for services,

The Committee on Resolutions submitted the following which was adopted.

I Reading the great need of Colportage work in our bounds, we urge again that the Association use some to put at least one active man in the field.

II That we advise our churches to be very cautious in receiving members by application, and to adhere strictly to the XII Art. of our Constitution.

III That we as a body tender our thanks to the Brethren, Sisters and friends of this community for their kind hospitality during the sitting of this body.

The minutes of the day were read and received. On motion the Association adjourned to time and place before named. Prayer by Elder Fletcher.

The Association sang a hymn and delegation gave each other the parting hand.

Benediction by J. F. Fletcher.

So another Association passed and another year of opportunity is gone beyond our reach. May we utilize the present and whatever of the future may be ours for the upbuilding of the Redeemer's Kingdom in the world.

E. TUCKER, Moderator.
H. A. ELLER, Secretary.

OBITUARY.

I

Bro. John Welch was born Dec. 7th, 1852, died May 19th, 1902; age 49 years, 10 mos., 7 days. Bro. Welch professed faith in Christ early in liee and attached himself to the Union Church and lived a consistent member of the same until the Long Branch Baptist Church was constituted; he then came into the organization of the same and served as one of its Deacons and Clerk until his death. He was happily married to Martha Faw. To them were born six children, all now living with their widowed mother. In his death his family lost an affectionate husband and father, the church a dovoted and useful member and the community a good neighbor and citizen. All who knew him loved him.

II

Evelina Brinegar, born May 29th, 1827, died August 22, 1902. Age 78 years, 2 mos. 22 days. She was a member of the church more than 50 years A kind companion and good mother is gone.

Form of Church Letter.

The..... Baptist Church,

To the Ashe Association—Greeting:

We send as Messengers brethren.....

Alternates .....

STATISTICS.

Added.....Lost.....Baptism	Associational Missions
Dissmissed by Letter	State Missions.....
Excluded.....Restored.....	Home "
Erased from Roll.....	Foreign "
Total Rec'd. Died	Orphanage
Total lost	Coltportage & S. S.
Net gain or loss.....	Old Minister's Relief.....
Church Expenses.....	Education or schools.....
Pastor's Salary $.....	For House of worship—
Incidental Exp's. Poor	Minute Fund $.....

Sum total. Expenses and Contributions $.....

Sunday Schools.

Name of Supt. and P. O. Give number of officers and teachers. Give number enrolled and average attendance. Baptisms from School if any, also the name and amount of literature taken together with the expenses and contributions of School.

Pastor .....P. O. ..... Clerk of Church, P. O. Time of preaching. Ordained Ministers, their names and P. O.

Remarks..... .....Read and approved by Church in Conference the .....day of .....190 ....., Moderator.

Ch. Clerk.

Statistical Table.

Churches.	P. O.	Baptized	Rec by let'r	Dis. by let'r	Died	Excluded	Males.	Females.	Total
*Apple Grove	Weasel, N. C.						30	48	78
Bapt. Home	Parker, N. C.			3			8	19	27
Bethel	Knettle Knob N C	2		5		10	45	61	106
Bethlehem	Baldwin, N. C						9	14	23
Beaver Creek	Beaver Creek, N C	7			1	1	20	24	44
Big Laurel	Grigsby, N. C.		2			1	11	16	27
Bristol	Jefferson, N. C.	6					17	27	44
Brushy Fork	Wheeler, N. C.		2				30	54	84
Buffalo	Treetop, N. C.			2	1	3	29	67	96
Clifton	Clifton, N. C.	5				1	23	19	42
Corinth	Rugby, Va.		1			1	37	61	98
Forest Home	Berlin, N C.	1		2	1		17	17	34
Friendship	Idol, N. C.	14	1				22	51	73
Healing Spg.	Crumpler, N. C.	6	1				30	47	77
Jefferson	Jefferson, N. C.		1	1			21	13	34
Landmark	Bud N. C.	5	1		2		44	74	118
Long Branch	Ashley, N. C.	1			1		15	10	25
Mission Home	Fleetwood, N. C.				2		32	41	73
Mount View	Grigsby, N. C.	5		3		3	21	31	52
New River	Weaversford, N C	4		2	1		32	55	97
Meadow View	Vernon, N. C					2	14	15	29
Obids,	Idlewilde, N. C.	3	2				3	12	15
Old Fields	Riverside, N. C.			1		1	14	22	36
Peak Valley	Dyson, N. C.						15	31	46
Pleasant Home	Sussex, N. C.	4		5		3	28	42	70
Pleasant Hill	Kiplin, Va.	7	4			1	23	41	64
Windfall	Weasel, N. C.	1		4			13	18	31
	Totals.	69	15	30	9	28	603	930	1635

*Letter from Apple Grove Church misplayed or lost so the figures may not be correct. Net gain 12. Last years figures are aggregate incorrect.

Sunday School Statistics.

Churches.	No of Schools	Officers & Teh	Scholars	Total	Av. attendance	Amt literature	Expenses	
*Baptist Home								*Report good Sunday School with fair attendance but gives no figures
Beaver Creek	1			34				
Corinth	1	6		74				
Pleasant Home	1	0		50				
Pleasant Hill	1	5		26	30qr		$1	
	5	11		184	30qr		$3.00	

Churches.	Pastors.	P. O.	Clerks.	P. O.	Paid Pastor	Associational Missions	State Missions	Home Mission	Foreign Mission	Orphanage	Bap Female University.	Minister's Relief	S S & Colp't	Minute F'd.	Time Meet.
Apple Grove	Church Letter	out of file so in-	formation not	at hand.		1 00								1 25	
Bapt. Home	W. H. Michael	Tracy, N. C.	L. J. Sturgill	Parker, N. C.	$15 00	7 50					1 05			75	3
Bethel	P. H. Haire	Fleetwood N C	W. Phillips	Beaver C'k N C			1 18	70	78	78	1 65			1 00	2
Bethlehem	J. F. Fletcher	Jefferson, N. C.	B. F. Johnson	Baldwin, N. C	13 35	5 00					1 00			75	2
Beaver Creek	E. Blevins	Crumpler, "	J. L. Goodman	Beaver C'k N C	12 00	4 00	2 83	4 24	4 24		1 00			60	3
Big Laurel	W. H. Glenn	Hemlock, "	N Stewart	Hemlock, "	7 55	3 00					1 00			80	4
Bristol	I. M. Carter	Grassy Cr'k "	J. J. McLure	Jefferson, "							60			50	3
Brushy Fork	L. A. Wilson	Sutherland, "	J. Rominger	Wheeler, "	17 00	2 70					1 00			55	2
Buffalo	" "	" "	H A Campbelle	Beaver C'k N C	14 00		1 50				60			75	3
Clifton	E. Blevins	Crumpler, "	J. Dougherty	Clifton, "	13 00						1 00			50	2
Corinth	E. W Reedy	Rugby, Va.	J. F. Plummer	Rugby, Va.	20 02		10	20	1 25	4 07	10	10	10	1 00	2
Forest Home	E. Tucker	Bud, N. C.	H. A. Eller	Berlin, N C.	28 00	5 00	3 56				2 00			1 65	2
Friendship	J. M Neaves	" "	R M Burkett	Idol, "	13 00						1 05			80	4
Healing Spg's.	E. Blevins	Crumpler, N. C	I. N. Hudler	Aster, "	25 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	2 15		1 00	1 00	1
Jefferson	J. F. Fletcher	Jefferson, N C.	A. E. Graybeal	Jefferson, N. C.	51 42	5 00	1146	3 00	5 00	3 00	3 40	1 00	1 00	1 00	1
Landmark	E. Tucker	Bud, N. C.	L M Brinegar	Bud, N. C.	28 10						1 30			1 50	4
Long Branch	R. L. Shoaf	Warrensville	J. G Welch	Edison, N. C.	5 75		05	10	20	1 25	50			50	4
Obids	J F. Fletcher	Jefferson, N. C.	W. H. Hartzog	Obids, N. C.	3 25						1 00			50	
Old Fields	J. F. Fletcher	" "	H M Blackburn	Idlewilde, N. C	25 00		3 15				1 35			1 00	
Mission Home	A. Brown	Riverside, "	Wm. Howell	Riverside, "	20 00	7 50			1 05	75	1 00			75	1
Mount View	S. Blevins	Kiplin Va.	L C. Barker	Grayson, N. C.	10 23	6 00					85			75	2
Meadow View	W. F. Barker	Bud, N. C.	H H Gawltney	Vernon, "										60	3
New River	E. Tucker	" "	M. W. Blevins	Weaversford, "	27 50									1 00	1
Peak Valley	L. A Wilson	Sutherland N C	J. Robertson	Dyson, N C.		5 00								50	2
Pleasant Home	G J Henderson	Grassy Creek "	W R Lovelace	Grassy C'k N C	76 90	2 00								1 00	4
Pleasant Hill	A. J. Hart	Green Cove Va	V. C Howell	Park, Va.	7 40									1 00	3
Windfall	E. Tucker	Bud, N. C.	E. L. Tucker	Weasel, N. C.	5 85									1 00	3
Zion Hill	No lett or rep't														

CONSTITUTION.

1 This body shall be called the "Ashe Association."

2 The object of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the gospel in our bounds, and in all the world, and in this work the Association will co-operate with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

3 The members of this body shall be all the ordained ministers of the churches composing the Association, and three Delegates from each, who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment and giving statistics of the membership and work of the churches.

4 At each Annual Session of the body there shall be elected a Moderator, a Clerk and Treasurer, in such a way as the association may direct. The last two offices may be held by the same brother.

5 The Moderator shall preside at the meeting, preserve order, appoint committees and perform such other duties as are usually required of presiding officers

6 The Clerk shall keep a correct record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing and distributing to the churches these proceedings

7 The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent up to the association, pay them out as the association may direct, and make report at each annual session.

8 The association shall hold annual meetings at such times and places as may be ageed upon.

9 At each annual session there shall be appointed an Executive Committee of three brethren, who shall look after the destitution in the bounds of this association and co-operate with State Mission board of the Baptist State Convention, making to the next session a report of the work done, and the general state of Mission work.

10 At each annual session there shall be appointed committees to make reports at the subsequent session on the following subjects: Foreign Missions, Home Missions, State Missions, Ministerial Education, Baptist Orphanage, Periodicals and Temperance.

11 Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

12 The association will not receive or retain in permanent fellowship any church that retains in its fellowship any member who is disorderly in doctrine or practice or who makes, sells or in any way deals in ardent spirits as a beverage.

13 This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any annual session.

Order of Business.

1 Introductory sermon. 2. Enrollment of delegates, 3. Election of officers. 4 Reception of new churches. 5 Reading Constitution, Rules of Order, Abstract of Principles. 6 Appointment of Committees. 7 Report of Executive Committee. 8 Report of Committees. 9 Miscellaneous.

Rules of Order.

1 Every session shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2 When the Moderator calls the association to order, every member shall at once take his seat.

3 When a member wishes to speak he shall arise and address the Moderator and not proceed until he has been recognized.

4 No member shall speak more than twice on any subject except by permission of the body, and not over 15 minutes at a time.

5 No member shall leave the body during its session without permission of the Moderator.

6 It will be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold private conversation while the Moderator or any member is speaking.

Abstract of Principles.

1 We believe in one only true and living God; and there are three persons in the God head: the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, and that these three are one.

2 We believe that the Bible—the old and New Testaments—is the word of God and the only rule of faith and practice.

3 We believe that salvation is by Grace, through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

4 We believe in the impotency of man and the soverneignty of God.

5 We believe that Baptism and the Lord's supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ, to be practiced only by believers in their scriptural order.

6 We believe that baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator. And that only those who are thus baptized are in fellowship with the church in feeling and doctrine should take the Lord's Supper.

7 We believe in final perseverence of the Saints in Grace to Glory.

8 We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a General Judgment.

9 We believe that the existence of the righteous and of the wicked will both be of eternal duration, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

Report of Treasurer.

Received.

For Minute Fund	$23.10
Home Missions	1.00
State Missions	1.33
Orphanage from Finance Committee	1.75
Orphanage from Collection $5.10, Mrs Graybeal $1.	6.10
Foreign Missions	2.78
Ministers Relief	10
Associational Missions	10.35
Education	10
S. S. and Colportage	10
Total Receipts:	$46.69

Disbursed.

Printing, Mailing, Post'g. for Correspondence &c	$18.10
Retained fee as per order of Association	3.00
P. O. Money Order to Walters Durham, Raleigh N C	
Treas. Bap. State Conv'n. including mailing exp's	15.24
Paid J. F. Fletcher Missionary for Associational Missions.	10.35
Total Disbursements.	$46.69

H. A. ELLER. Treas.

October, 1902.

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Nov. 10, 11, 12, 1903.

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CONSTITUTION OF THE ASHE ASSOCIATION.

ARTICLE 1 This body shall be called "THE ASHE ASSOCIATION

2 The object of this Association shall be organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the Gospel in our bounds and in all the world, and in this work the Association will co operate with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina,

3 The members of this body shall be all the Ordained Ministers of the churches composing this Association, and three delegates from each church, who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment, and giving statistics of the membership and work of the churches.

4 At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a Moderator, a Clerk and a Treasurer, in such way as the Association may direct; the last two offices may be held by the same brother.

5 The Moderator shall preside at the meetings, preserve order, appoint committees, and perform such other duties as are usually required of presiding officers.

6 The Clerk shall keep a correct record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend printing and distributing to the churches these proceedings.

7 The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent up to the Association, pay them out as the Association may direct and make a report at each annual session.

8 The Association shall hold an annual meeting at such time and place as may be agreed upon.

9 At each annual meeting there shall be appointed an Executive Committee of three brethren, who shall look after the destitution in the bounds of this Association and co-operate with the State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention, making to the next session a report of the work done, and of the general state of Mission work.

10 At each annual session there shall be appointed committees to make reports during the session on the following subjects: Foreign Missions, Home Missions, Ministerial Education, Baptist Orphanage, Periodicals, Temperance, Digest of Church Letters, Finance, and Time, Place and Preacher for next session.

11 Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

12 The Association will not receive nor retain in permanent fellowship any church that retains in its fellowship any member who is disorderly in doctrine or practice, or who makes, sells or in any way deals in ardent spirits as a beverage.

13 This Constitution may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual session.

RULES OF ORDER.

1 Every session shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2 When the Moderator calls the Association to order every member shall at once take his seat.
3 When a member wishes to speak he shall arise and address the Moderator and not proceed until he has been recognized
4 No member shall speak more than twice on any subject. except by permission of the body.
5 No member shall leave the body during its session without permission of the Moderator.
6 It will be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house, or hold private conversation while the Moderator or any member is speaking.
7 Order of Business.
1 Introductory Sermon.
2 Enrollment of Delegates.
3 Election of Officers.
4 Reception of New Churches.
5 Reading Constitution, Rules of Order, and Abstract of Principles.
6 Appointment of Committees,
7 Report of Executive Committee.
8 Report of Treasurer.
9 Reports of Committees
10 Miscellaneous.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES.

1 We believe in one only true and livir g God; and that there are three persons in the God-head—the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost. and these three are one
2 We believe that the Bible—the Old and New Testaments—is the word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.
3 We believe in the impotency of man, and the sovereignty of God.
4 We believe that salvation is by Grace, through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ
5 We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ, to be practiced only by believers in their scriptual order.
6 We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualifid administrator. And that only those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and in doctrine, should take the Lord's Supper.
7 We believe in the final perseverance of the Saints in Grace to Glory.
8 We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a General Judgment.
9 We believe that the existence of the righteous and of the wicked will both be of eternal duration, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

DIRECTORY OF THE ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, 1903.

Officers—E. Tucker, Moderator, J. F. Fletcher, Clerk and Treasurer.

Member of State Board—J. Eller, Berlin, N. C.

Delegates of the Baptist State Convention to meet at Charlotte, N. C., in 1903. J. F. Fletcher, M. M. Blevins,

Executive Board—H. A. Eller, Berlin, N. C.; L. J. Sturgill, Parker, N. C.; M. M. Blevins, Crumpler, N. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Barker W F	Bud, Ashe county, N. C.
Blackburn S	" " "
Blevins C	Kipling, Grayson county, Va.
Blevins E	Blevins, Ashe county, N. C.
Carter I M	Bernice, " "
Campbell N	Thaxton, " "
Caloway J N	Jefferson, " "
Duncan T M	Beaver Creek, " "
Eller G W	Jefferson, " "
Fletcher J F	Jefferson, " "
Glenn W H	Grigsby, " "
Hurley A	Thaxton, " "
Haire P H	Fleetwood, " "
Henderson G J	Rugby, Grayson county, Va.
Hart J R	Eye, Ashe county, N. C.
Reedy E W	Rugby, Grayson county, Va.
Shoaf R L	Linney, Ashe county, N. C.
Stanley J F	Graybeal, " "
Taylor E C	Bud " "
Tucker E	" " "
York M	Rugby, Grayson county, Va.

PROCEEDINGS.

1 The Ashe Association, (after a postponment of two months, on account of sickness in the neighborhood of the church with which the Association was to have convened, met in its sixteenth annual session with Corinth church, Rugby, Va., at 11 a. m., Tuesday, Nov. 10, 1903.

2 The introductory sermon was preached by J. F. Fletcher, text Rom. 12:2, "Be not conformed to this world." Prayer by H. M. Fugate.

3 Adjourned to 1 p. m.

Tuesday afternoon Session.

4 The Association called to order at 1 p. m., by Moderator. The former clerk being absent R. L. Shoaf was elected clerk pro. tem.

5 The roll of churches was called and letters from 26 churches were there and subsequently handed in and read by J. F. Fletcher and M. M. Blevins.

6 Delegates were enrolled as follows:

ROLL OF DELEGATES.

Apple Grove—Enoch Hart, Sydney Tucker.
Baptist Home—Robert Lewis, L. J. Sturgill:
Bethel—C. W. Phillipps.
Bethlehem—Letter, no delegates.
Bristol—J. N. Calloway.
Brushy Fork—Letter and no delegates.
Big Laurel—J. T. Gleen, L. B. Taylor.
Beaver Creek—Letter, no delegates.
Buffalo—No letter, or delegates.
Clifton—J. G. Miller, Thomas Miller.
Corinth—A. F. Tucker, Lee McGrady, David Blackburn.
Forest Home—R. L. Shoaf.
Friendship—
Grayson's Chapel—No letter or delegates.
Healing Spring—E. Blevins, M. M. Blevins, H. Baker
Jefferson—J. F. Fletcher.

Landmark—Jesse Denny.
Long Branch—Letter and no delegates.
Mission Home—P. H. Haire.
Meadow View—J. H. Sheets, W. E. Rhodes.
Mt. View—No letter or delegates.
New River—J. A. Parsons.
Obids—D. C. Absher, I. Fair.
Old Fields—J R. Johnston.
Peak Valley—Letter, no delegates.
Pleasant Home—W. P. Barker, I. Carter, W. R. Lovelace.
Pleasant Hill—A. L. Stamper.
Tree Top—No letter or delegates.
Windfall—A. Hurly, J. A. Wagoner.
Zion Hill—No letter or delegates.

7 The letter of dismission of Old Fields church from Blue Ridge Association was handed in and received by the association with the delegates.

8 An opportunity was then given for newly constituted churches to unite with this body when none came.

9 The association then proceed to elect Moderator and Clerk for the ensuing year, H. M. Fugate and J. W. Barker acting as tellers, which resulted in the election of the former Moderator, E. Tucker, Moderator, and J. F. Fletcher Clerk and Treasurer.

10 Visiting brethren were invited to seats when H. M. Fugate and J. W. Barker of the New River Association reported themselves and took seats with the body.

11 The Clerk then read Constitution, Articles of Faith and Rules of Order.

12 Moderator announced the following committees;

On arrangement for religious exercises: Pastor and delegates of this church with Sydney Tucker.
On Finance: M. M. Blevins, Jesse Miller.
On Resolutions: P. H. Haire, J. T. Glenn.
On Time, Place and Preacher for next Association: L. J. Sturgill, J, R. Johnston, J. T. Glenn.
On Temperance: J. R. Johnston, L. J. Sturgill.
On Periodicals: P. H. Haire, E. Blevins.
On Ministerial Education; J. T. Glenn, J. F. Fletcher.

13 Committee on Religious Exercises report: (a) Preaching to-night by J. T. Glenn; (b) Tomorrow 11 a. m., E. Blevins; (c) Tomorrow 2 p. m., P. H. Haire.

14 On motion of J. F. Fletcher the association adjourned until tomorrow 8:30 a. m. Prayer by E. Blevins, benediction by H. M. Fugate.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION.

15 Association met at 8:30. Spent 30 minutes in Devotional Exercises conducted by R. L. Shoaf, assisted by P. H. Haire and J. N. Calloway.

16 Moberator called the association to order at 9 a. m.

17 Roll of delegates were called and the names of the delegates present were ascertained.

18 M. M. Blevins read.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

This department of our work should have the first place in our affection; yet we should not neglect any of the other work that is binding on us as a denomination Our Constitution says "We will co-operate with the Baptist State Convention of N. C." and one of the main objects of the Convention's work is to see that the Gospel as we hold it, is preached in every section of our own state. When we look back a few years and see what has been done in our state, and even in our own association, we should feel very thankful and take courage and press on in the good work and do still more; for there is an abundance to be done. We hope the pastors of our different churches will lead their people aright on the subject of State Missions until all the members of all the churches will give something to the State Mission Board that has been so liberally helping us. Of the 28 churches that compose our our body, nearly two thirds of them have been aided by the State Mission Board, and not one third of the membership of our association gives anything to the State Mission work. Your committee would urge upon the pastors of this association to inform their people upon this work and take collections for the same.

T M Duncan } Com
M. M. Blevins. }

19 J. F. Fletcher read

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The command to "go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature" is as binding upon us today, as upon the early disciples to whom it was first delivered. More than nineteen hundred years have passed and one half the world's population has never heard the name of Jesus. God is smiling upon and graciously blessing the little we do in order to encourage us to do more. Cheering news has been received from all our mission fields of Gods special blessing upon our work and workers, in the conversion of thousands; and the gospel is permeating and influencing heathen lands as never before. Let us pray and give; give and pray until the kingdoms of this world become the kingdoms of our Lord and his Christ.

J. F. Fletcher, } Com.
A. E Graybeal. }

20 R. L. Shoaf read

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The command of our Lord is imperative "to go and diciple all nations," and while there are different and important fields; there is no work of more importance than that done by our Home Mission Board at Atlanta Ga. Its field is the Southern States, Indian Territory and Cuba. Its work is to give the bread of life to the Indians in the west, the colored man in the south and to meet the foreigner, who comes to our shores with an open Bible and to lift the yoke and burden of Roman Catholicism from the people of

Cuba. Brethren there has never been a time when we had grander opportunities than now to possess the land. God is blessing us. let us rise to the help of the Lord with our means and our pravers that those who "sit in darkness may see the light" Ref. Rom. 10:13-14-15 R. L. Shoaf. Committee.

21 J. F Fletcher read

REPORT OF MISSIONARY.

As missionary in Ashe Association for the year ending Oct, 31, 1903. Sermons preached 123; Families religiously visited 111; Conversions witnessed 45; Added by letter 12; Added by baptism 36.

FINANCIAL.

Collected for State Missions $16 93; collected for Foreign Missions $6.00; collected for Home Missions $6.00; collected for Education $1.50; collected for S. S. and Col, $1.50; collected for Orphanage $7.60; collected for Ministerial Relief $1.50; grand total, $41.03. Respectfully submitted, J. F. Fletcher, Missionary.

22 On motion it was agreed to discuss all the reports above written together and make the discussion a special order for 1 p. m. today. Note—The report of Executive Committee by accident, failed to reach the association and is printed elsewhere (See appendix) for the information of our brethren concerning our colportage work, etc. Clerk.

23 The Moderator appointed the following committee to nominate an Executive Committee:

W. R. Lovelace,
Sydney Tucker, } Com.
J. G. Miller.

24 M. M. Blevins read

REPORT OF COM. TO VISIT CLIFTON CHURCH.

Your committee to whom was referred the matter of Clifton church beg to submit the following report: The committee was all called to meet with Clifton church on Saturday before the second Sunday in June 1903. Only two was present. The church kindly received the two members of the committee. The church in answer to inquiries stated that they did receive Rev. J. C. Johnson on the 9th of Aug. 1902 by application and recommendation into full fellowship, and so on thereafter Rev. J. C. Johnson was ordained by Rev. E. Blevins and Rev. George Parsons of the Ashe Association.

REQUEST OF CLIFTON CHURCH.

Clifton church unanimously requests your committee to further report that if they have erred in receiving J. C. Johnson as above, they are sorry for it, and confess their action was premature, and they beg the association to forgive them, and they say they will do so no more. The church is in peace and are building a house of worship. E. Blevins is their pastor. They have had some refreshing seasons during the past yea. J. Eller, } Com.
M. M. Blevins. }

P. S. As there were only a minority of the committee present we did not feel at liberty to advise the church unless they had asked for it. J. Eller, } Com.
M. M. Blevins. }

On motion of R. L. Shoaf the report was received and the committee discharged. The report was then discussed by P. H. Haire, R. L. Shoaf, M. M. Blevins, E. Blevins, J. F. Fletcher and others. Pending the adoption of the above report J. F. Fletcher introduced the following resolution which was adopted, to wit:

Resolved that it is the sense of this body that Clifton church has done wrong in receiving J, C. Johnson without a letter of dismission from a sister church and we advise Clifton church to recind the act of receiving him, and this body will cheerfully forgive them

25 The hour for preaching having arrived E. Blevins preached, scriptures read, part of Matt. 25, text 2 Cor. 6:1 "We then as workers together with him" etc. Song "There's not a friend like the lowly Jesus."

26 Adjourned one hour.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

27 The Association met pursuant to adjournment, song, "Saviour more than life to me."

28 The time for the special order having arrived to wit: the discussion of reports on missions it was taken up and ably discussed in strong, earnest speeches by A. Hurley, E. Blevins, P. H. Haire, J. N. Calloway, E. Tucker, R. L. Shoaf and others, and reports adopted.

29 J. W. Garvey from the Brushy Mountain Association was recognized and invited to a seat in the body.

30 The following preamble and resolution was offered by J. F. Fletcher and unanimously adopted by the association towit:

Whereas, we hear with great sorrow of the serious illness of our beloved brother and fellow worker in the cause of Christ, Rev. T. M. Duncan, Therefore be it Resolved, that we tender him our warmest sympathy in his affliction, commending him to the tender mercies of our common Lord.

31 Preaching by P. H. Haire, read part of Rom. 15th chapter, text Matt. 22:39, "Love thy neighbor as thyself" assisted in the service by E. Blevins.

32 Committee on Religious Exercises reported preaching tomorrow 11 a. m., by J. F. Fletcher.

33 On motion of R. L. Shoaf adjourned. Prayer by J. F. Fletcher, benediction by Moderator.

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION.

34 Association convened at 8:30 a. m., spent 30 minutes in devotional exercises conducted by P. H. Haire.

35 Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

36 Moderator appointed the following committee on church building, to wit; Sydney Tucker, J. G. Miller,

37 J. F. Fletcher offered the following tribute of respect to the memory of Sister Annettie Davis:

Sister Annettie Davis departed this life June 20, 1903, aged 27 years, 5 months and 14 days Sister Davis was a consistent member of MountainView church at the time of her death by the hands of her husband, Cristie Davis. She was an "Israelite indeed, in whom was no guile" the grace and beauty of whose christian character did not fail to impress even a passing acquaintance. She died in the full triumphs of the christian faith, we tender the bereaved and heart broken family our warmest sympathy and commend them to the tender mercies of our kind Heavenly fathe.

On motion the above Tribute of Respect was adopted by a standing vote of the association.

38 J. F. Fletcher offered the following Preamble and Resolution which was unanimously adopted by the association to wit:

Whereas we hear with great sorrow of the crushing affliction which has overtaken our dearly beloved brother Rev. W. H. Glenn in the death of his beloved daughter Mrs. Annettie Davis, who in the beauty and strength of her young womanhood was suddenly cut off, and of his own bodily affliction and mental anguish. Therefore be it Resolved: That we put upon record our high regard for him as a true man of God and servant of our Lord Jesus Christ and tender him our sincere sympathy and love to comfort him in his affliction.

(Other obituaries should have been written but there were no committee on obituaries and no date furnished by which they could have been written—Clerk.)

39 P. H Haire read

REPORT ON PERIODIALS.

We heartily recommend to our people the Biblical Recorder, published at Raleigh, N. C. as safe, sound and progressive also Charity and Children, published at Thomasville, N. C., in the interest of our Orphanage The Foreign Mission Journal, published at Richmond, Va., by our Foreign Mission Board and would also advise our people to not read trashy, hurtful literature—literature that unsettles our faith or leads our minds away from God's word. Discussed by P. H Haire, E W. Rhudy and others and adopted.

40 Long Branch church sends $1.25 to be disposed of by the association as they may see fit. The association ordered that $1.00 should be given to the State Mission Board and 25 cents sent to the Orphanage.

41 J. R. Johnson read

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your committee do recommend that we as Baptist strictly adhere to the teaching of God's word on these things and preach and practice Temperence in all things and total abstinence from all intoxicating liquors and teach our people and our children the awful consequences of indulging in strong drink. We advise our people to adhere strictly to the 12th Article of our Constitution.

L. J. Sturgill, } Com.
J. R. Johnston }

42 M. M. Blevins read

REPORT ON BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

The Orphanage commenced operations the first of Nov. 1884. The plant now consists of nineteen brick buildings three good wooden buildings besides the barns and stables. The farm consists of 350 acres of land; we have on it six head of mules and horses, about 25 head of cattle and a few hogs. The plant in all is easily worth $50.000. The first orphan was admitted the first day of Nov. 1884; since that time to the closing of the fiscal year of 1903 there has been admitted into the Orphanage over 800 orphans. There were present at the closing of the last fiscal year 260 orphans which shows that over 300 have gone out from the institution; many of whom have taken honorable positions in the world. We have there boys, one of whom is a bad cripple, and one little girl from the Ashe Association Therefore it is our duty as a christian organization to support this institution with our means and pray God's blessings upon the same. Respectfully submitted M. M. Blevins. Com

Discussion of above report postponed and made special order for 1 p. m.

43 Adjourned for preaching, song, "Consecration." J. F. Fletcher preached text Rom. 1:16, "For I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ" at the close of which took a collection for Orphanage amounting to $5.03. Song "I am now a child of God."

44 Committee on Finance report and report adopted as follows:

Received for Associational fund $22 88; for Boards $19.45; Total, $42.33,

THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

45 Report on Orphanage taken up and discussed by M. M. Blevins, P. H. Haire, R. L. Shoaf and adopted.

46 Committee to nominate Executive committee report as follows:

We your committee to recommend Executive committee beg leave to recommend the following named brethren as our Executive committee for the ensuing year to wit: H. A. Eller, L J. Sturgill. M. M. Blevins, Respectfully submitted

W R Lovelace,
Sydney Tucker, } Com.
J. G Miller.

47 Committee on Time, Place and Preacher for next association report:

Time Tuesday after the 4th Sunday in August 1904. Place, Baptist Home church. Preacher, J. F. Fletcher. Alternate, W. H. Glenn.

L J. Sturgill,
J. R. Johnston, } Com.
J. T. Glenn.

48 M M. Blevins read report of Educational committee of Ashe Association which was adoped as follows:

Your committee on Education in co operation with the committee of the Alleghany and Grayson Association have made arrangements for a temporary school at Laurelspriugs. N. C., which is now in session with J. E. Alderman, Principal, and to continue

for a term of ten months The regular denominational part of the school will begin about Jan. 1, 1904 and continue to the closing of the term We admonish and beg our people to maintain and support this school with their means, patronage and influence. and pray God the same may prosper. M M Blevins, } Com.
J F Fletcher. }

49 J. F. Fletcher offered, in the absence of the committee the following resulution which was adopted after remarks by J. F. Fletcher, as follows: Resolved that we heartily appreciate the work of the Old Ministers Relief Fund Board and pledge ourselves to its support.

50 The Moderator announced the following committees to report on the following subjects at next association: State Missions, J. F. Fletcher; Home Missions, J. M. Neaves; Foreign Missions, L. J. Sturgill; Education, E. W, Rhudy, Ministerial Relief, E. Blevins; S. S. and Col. R. L. Shoaf; Orphanage, D. C. Absher: Temperance, Walter Phillips; Periodicals, H. A. Eller.

51 J. T. Glenn read report of committee on Resolutions.

Resolved 1st, That the Association take steps to place a colperter in the field.

Resolved 2nd, That we advise our churches to strictly adhere to our Constitution and especially the 12th Article.

Resolved 3rd, That we as a body tender our thanks to members of this church and community at large for the kindness shown us during the sitting of this body.

P. H. Haire, } Com.
J. T. Glenn, }

52 On motion of E. Blevins the clerk was allowed $5, for his services and be allowed postage in mailing minutes, manuscript etc., out of minute fund, and to have as many minutes printed as the money left in his hands will pay for.

53 The following brethren were appointed correspondents to sister associations Stony Fork—P. H. Haire; Alleghany and Grayson, E. Blevins; Three Fork, R. L. Shoaf and L. J. Sturgill; New River, E. W. Rhudy.

54 J. F. Fletcher and M. M. Blevins were appointed as delegates to the Baptist State Convention at Charlotte, N. C., commencing Dec. 9, 1903.

55 Treasurer reported as follows:

Received of Finance Committee: Minute fund $22.88; Associational Missions $1.42; Orphanage. including collection at association $8 83; Ministerial Relief $3 00; Colportage 25 cents: Education 25 cents; State Missions $6.41; Home Missions $1 40; Foreign Missions $3.50; Baptist Female University 42 cents; Total, $47.36
Paid out for printing minutes and postage $17.38; Retained for services $5.00; The Remaining $24 48; Total, $47.36 To the objects designated in the report of the Finance committee.

J. F. Fletcher, Treasurer.

56 On motion adjourned; prayer by P. H. Haire. Song, "How firm a foundation" and took the parting hand.
E. Tucker, Mod. J. F. Fletcher, Clerk and Treas.

APPENDIX.

To the Ashe Association:

To the Ashe Baptist Association: Dear brethren—At the last session of the association a fund of $10.58 was placed in my hands for colportage work, largely on my own responsibility, but at the same time acting upon the authority of the association to a great extent. I ordered books to the amount of $36.15, I regret very much I have been unable to secure any one to handle these books as colporter. Rev. J. F. Fletcher and Rev. T. M. Duncan have sold a few but most of them are still in my possession Tnere is still a balance of $16.06 due the publishers on them. I am anxious that some disposition be made of this matter and ask the appointing of an auditing committee to make settlement with me and dispose of the indebtednesss and the balance of the books. Fraternally yours, J. D. Roberts. Jefferson, N. C. November 6th, 1903.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The work of the committee for the past year has been on the same lines as for the two previous years. Rev. J. F. Fletcher, as the missionary of the State Board, and as our associational missionary has labored in the southern part of the county, and God has blessed his labors exceedingly. It has been our desire to extend this work, especially on the Blue Ridge, and for the past six months Rev. P. H. Haire has preached once a month at———Branch school house, and reports the outlook favorable. The committee has promised him a salary of $25 which we ask the association to endorse. When we look over the field and realize its needs, we feel its importance and have no hesitation in insisting upon liberal contributions from the churches for the cause. Respectfully submitted J. D. Roberts, Committee.

FORM OF LETTER

The ..... Baptist Church to the Ashe Association Greeting

We send as messengers brethren .....

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Alternates .....

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Statistics, 190— Baptised .....
Received by letter .....
Restored .....
Dismissed by letter .....
Excluded .....
Died .....
Males .....
Females .....
Total .....

Expense—Pastor's Salary .....
Incidental .....
Poor .....
Minute fund .....
Repairs .....

Contributions—State Missions .....
Home Missions .....
Foreign Missions .....
Orphanage .....
Houses of Worship .....
All Other Contributions .....

Total .....

Sunday School Statistics—Officers and Teachers .....
Scholars .....
No. Ch. Me'b'rs in S. S .....
Expense .....
(Contributions included in church.)

Pastor ..... P. O .....
Clerk ..... P. O .....
S. S. Supt ..... P. O .....
Time of Preaching .....

Read and approved by the church in conference .....

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Church Clerk. Moderator.

Ordained Ministers Names:

Statistical Table.

CHURCHES.			Ch'n Sunday	Baptism	Letter & App'n	Dismissed	Died	Excluded	Males	Females	Total
Apple Grove	Weasel	N C	2			4	1	1	24	43	67
Baptist Home	Parker	N C	3	15	4	1	1		15	29	44
Bethel	Nettle Knob	"	2			4	1	4	41	57	98
Bethlehem	Baldwin	"	2						9	14	23
Beaver Creek	Beaver Cr.	"	3	4	1	1	1		22	23	45
Big Laurel	Grigsby	"	4					1	10	16	26
Bristol	Jefferson,	"	2						17	27	44
Brushy Fork	Wheeler	"	2				1		30	53	83
Buffalo	Treetop	"									
Clifton	Clifton	"	2			1			22	19	41
Corinth	Rugby	Va	3	1			1		36	61	97
Forest Home	Berlin	N C	2						17	17	34
Friendship	Idol	"									
Healing Spr'g	Crumpler	"	1		1		1		30	47	77
Jefferson	Jefferson	"	1-3		4				24	14	38
Landmark	Bud	"	4	7	1		2		45	79	124
Long Branch	Ashly	"	4	5	1				18	13	31
Mission Home	Fleetwood	"	1	11	4				39	44	83
Mt'n. View	Grigsby	"									
New River	Weavers F'd	"	3		2				33	54	87
Meadow View	Vernon	"				3	2		10	14	24
Obids	Obids	"	4	11	4	2			9	19	28
Old Fields	Idlewild	"	4	25	4		1		21	44	65
Peak Valley	Dyson	"	2	6	1		1	3	17	33	50
Pleasant Home	Sussex	"	4	3	3	4		1	31	43	74
Pleasant Hill	Kipling	"	3	2		4	1		23	38	61
Wind Fall	Weasel	"	3	1					14	19	33
				88	30	24	14	10	553	787	1340

Sunday School Statistics.

	No. of S. S.	Officers and Teachers	Enrolled	Av. Attendance	Expenses	Superintendents and Postoffices	
Apple Groue	1	7	75	35		Geo. Pennington; P. O. not given.	
Bethel	1	6	60	29	$1 06	W H Johnson, Nettle Knob, N C	
Beaver Creek	1			40		None reported	
Brushy Fork	1	5	60	30		J M Rominger, Wheeler,	"
Bristol	1	3		50	5 64	J N Calloway, Jefferson	"
Corinth	1	5	67			J F Plummer, Rugby	Va
Jefferson	1	5	40	20	[8 00	J D Roberts, Jefferson	N C
Peak Valley	1		55				
Pleasant Home	1	7	60	22		R D Blevins, Grassy Creek	"
Pleasant Hill	1	6	73	31	84	C C Blevins, Kipling	Va

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	P. O.	CLERKS	P. O.	Paid Pastors	Asso'l Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Ministers' Relief	Foreign Missions	Orphanage	B F U	S S and Col	Minute Fund	Church Buildings
Apple Grove	A J Hart	Green Cove, Va	A Privett	Kiplin Va	$ 4 40									1	
Baptist Home	WH Michaels	Tracy, N C	L J Sturgill	Parker N C	23 61		2 11			65	1			90	32 10
Bethel	T M Duncan	Beaver Cr. "	C W Phillipps	Beaver Cr. "	18 25		1 52		1 75					1	
Bethlehem	J F Fletcher	Jefferson "	R F Johnson	Baldwin "								42		44	
Beaver Creek	E Blevins	Crumpler "	J L Goodman	Beaver Cr. "	21		3 25	70		70	1 25			60	
Big Laurel	WH Michaels	Tracy "	Newell Stuart	Hemlock "	11 50		44	45		1 90	1			75	
Bristol	W F Barker	Bud "	J J McEwen	Jefferson "	6 50									60	
Brushy Fork	C C Wilson	Sweetwater "	J M Rominger	Wheeler "	15									65	
Buffalo	No report														
Clifton	E Blevins	Crumpler "	J G Miller	Clifton "	15										
Corinth	E Tucker	Bud "	J F Plummer	Rugby Va	14 15	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	1	175
Forest Home	E Tucker	" "	H A Eller	Berlin N C	25 75		2	1 50		2 50				2	
Friendship	No report														
*Healing Spr'g	E Blevins	Crumpler "	G N Hudler	Aster "	69 25		4 86	2	1	1	4		1	1	
Jefferson	J F Fletcher	Jefferson "	L C Graybeal	Jefferson "	22 05		11 13	5	1 50	5	3 70		1 50	1	
Landmark	E Tucker	Bud, N C	L M Brineger	Bud "	17 75		70				3 75			2	
Long Branch	W F Barker	" "	J G Welch	Edison "	5 10		1				25			55	
Obids	J F Fletcher	Jefferson, "	W H Hartzog	Obids "	11 10						2 25			1	205
Old Fields	J F Fletcher	" "	H M Blackburn	Idlewild "	25		2 50	1		1	1	50	50	1	125
Mission Home	Asa Brown	Riverside, "	Wm. Howell	Fleetwood "	20	1 17								75	
Mt'n. View	No Report														
Meadow View	W F Barker	Bud, "	J H Sheets	Grassy Cr. "	6 24									60	
New River	GJ Henders'n	Grassy Cr. "	M W Blevins	Weavers F'd "	27									1	
Peak Valley	L A Wilson	Not given	Jno. Robertson	Dyson "	19 60									50	
Pleasant Home	GJ Henders'n	Grassy Cr. "	W R Lovelace	Grassy Cr. "	80 20										
Pleasant Hill	A J Hart	Green Cove, Va	A L Stamper	Park Va	6 50									1	1
Wind Fall	No report		E L Tucker	Weasel N C	3									1	8 94
Zion Hill	No report													1	15
					$167.94	1.42	28.79	10.90	4.50	12.	17.40	.92	3.25	22.88	452.10

*Bro. S Lunsford and wife paid $45. on pastor's salary.

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CONSTITUTION.

Article 1. This body shall be called The Ashe Association,

The object of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the Gospel in our bounds and in all the world, and in this work the Association will co-operate with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

2. The members of this body shall be all the Ordained Ministers of the churches composing this Association, and three delegates from each church, who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment and giving statistics of the membership and work of the church.

4. At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a Moderator, a Clerk and a Treasurer, in such way as the Association may direct; the last two offices may be held by the same brother.

5. The Moderator shall preside at the meetings, preserve order, appoint committees, and perform such other duties as are usually required of presiding officers.

6. The Clerk shall keep a correct record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend printing and distributing to the churches these proceedings.

7. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent up to the Association, pay them out as the Association may direct and make a report at each annual session.

8. The Association shall hold an annual meeting at such time and place as may be agreed upon.

9. At each annual meeting there shall be appointed an Executive Committee of three brethren, who shall look after the destitution in the bounds of this Association and co-operate with the State Mission board of the Baptist State Convention making to the next session a report of the work done and of the general state of Mission work.

10. At each annual session there shall be appointed committees to make reports during the session on the following subjects: Foreign Missions. Home Missions, Ministerial Education, Baptist Orphanage Periodicals, Temperance, Digest of Church Letters, Finance and Time, Place and Preacher for next session.

11. Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

12. The Association will not receive nor retaian in permanent fellowship any church that retains in its fellowship any member who is disorderly in doctrine or practice, or who makes, sells or in any way deals in ardent spirits as a beverage.

13. This Constitution may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members presennt at any annual session.

RULES OF ORDER.

1 Every session shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2 When the Moderator calls the Association to order every member shall at once take his seat.

3 When a member wishes to speak he shall arise and address the Moderator and not proceed until he has been recognized.

4 No member shall speak more than twice on any subject, except by permission of the body.

5 No member shall leave the body during the session without permission of the Moderator.

6 It will be counted disorder for any member to stand up leave the house,or hold private conversation while the Moderator or any member is speaking.

7 Order of business:

a Introductory sermon.
b Enrollment of delegates.
c Election of officers.
d Reception of new churches.
e Reading Constitution, Rules of Order and Abstract of Principles.
f Appointment of committees.
g Report of Executive Committee.
h Report of Treasurer.
i Report of committees.
j Miscellaneous.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES.

1 We believe in one only true and living God: and that there are three Peroons in the God-head—the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, and these three are one.

2 We believe that the Bible, the Old and New Testaments—is the word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

3 We believe in the impotency of man and the sovereignty of God.

4 We believe that salvation is by Grace, through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5 We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ, to be practiced only by believers in their scriptural order.

6 We believe that baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator. And that only those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and in doctrine, should take the Lord's Supper.

7 We believe in the final perseverance of the Saints in Grace to glory.

8 We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a General Judgment.

9 We believe that the existence of the righteous and of the wicked will both be of eternal duration, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

Directory of the Ashe Baptist Association, 1904.

Officers—E. Tucker, Moderator; J. F. Fletcher, Clerk and Treasurer.

Member of State Mission Board—J. E. Eller.

Delegate to the Baptist State Convention—J. F. Fletcher.

Executive Board—H. A. Eller, Berlin, N. C., L. J. Sturgill, Parker, N. C.; T. H. Ray, Beaver Creek, N. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Barker, W. F.,	Bud, N. C.
Blackburn, S.	" "
Blevins, C.	Kipling, Va,
Carter, I. M	Bernice, N. C.
Campbell, N.	Thaxton, "
Calloway, J. N	Jefferson, "
Duncan, T. M.	Beaver Creek, "
Fletcher, J. F.	Jefferson, "
Glenn, W. H.	Grigsby, "
Hurley, A.	Thaxton, "
Haire, P. H.	Fleetwood, "
Henderson, G. S.	Sussex, "
Hart, J. R.	Eye, "
Reedy, E. W.	Rugby, Va
Reece, J. F.	Shouns X Roads, Tenn,
Shoaf, R. L.	Warrensville, N. C,
Stanley, J. F.	Graybeal, "
Tucker, E.	Bud, "
York, M.	Rugby, Va.

PROCEEDINGS

Parker, N, C., Sept. 13, 1904.

1 The Ashe Association met this day in its 18th annual session, with Baptist Home Church.

2 Introductory sermon was preached by J. F. Fletcher; Text, Phill. 3rd Chapter, Subject: "The transforming power of a noble ambition." W. H. Glenn taking part in the exercises.

3 Adjournment for an hour and a half.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

4 The Association called to order by the Moderator at 1.30 P, M. Prayer by N. Campbell.

5 The roll of churches was called and letters from 23 churches were handed in and read; J. R. Johnston and H. A. Eller assisting the Clerk.

6 Delegates as Subsequently reported were enrolled as follows:

Apple Grove—Jesse Davis, Sidney Tucker, Ambrose Clark.

Buffalo—Osborn Lewis, H. A. Campbell.

Brushy Fork - Amos Sluder, David Martin, Wm. Snyder.

Bristol—J. N. Calloway

Bethel—D. A. Hartzog, C. W Phillipps.

Beaver Creek—T. F. Ray.

Baptist Home—A. G. Graybeal, Robert Lewis, E. H. Graybeal

Big Laurel—Hugh Hagaman, J. T. Glenn, Newel Stuart.

Clifton—Emory Elliot, J. A. Parsons.

Forest Home—H. A. Eller, J. T. King

Friendship—J. W. Goodman, C. A. Dixon.

Healing Spring —H. Baker, Robert Blackburn.

Jefferson—A. E. Graybeal, J. F. Fletcher.
Long Branch—Owen Welsh, Z. O. Eldreth.
Landmark—Letter and no delegates.
Mission Home—J. M, Teague, J. E. Woodruff.
Mt, View—N. Johnson, J. J. S. Denny, S. P. Davis.
New River—Letter and no delegates.
Oldfields—J. R Johnston, J. F. Blackburn, W. G. Blackburn.
Obids—I. E. Faw.
Pleasant Hill—L. A Walker, E. Roup, E. Farmer.
Peak Valley—John Robertson, Henry Lewis, Wiley Lewis.
Windfall—J. A. Wagoner, E. Tucker.

7 On motion of R. L. Shoaf the Association proceeded to elect Moderator and Clerk for the ensuing year, by private ballot, J. F. Eller, Asa Brown and John Norris acting as tellers, which resulted in the re-election of E. Tucker and J. F. Fletcher Mod and Cl'k.

8 An invitation to newly constituted churches to unite with this body, was then extended by the Mod. None came.

9 Visiting brethren were then invited to seats in the body when the following were recognized; Asa Brown, J. F. Eller, John Norris and L. C. Wilson of the Three Forks Association, and J. L. Gilbert, J. R. Brown, George Pennington, and Alexander Gentry, of the New River association.

10 The clerk read Constitution and Rules of Order.

11 The Moderator announced the following committees:

(a) On Religious Exercises—Pastor and delegates of Baptist Home church, with H Baker and J. T. King.

(b) On Finance—A. Clark, H. A. Eller.

(c) On Resolutions—R. L. Shoaf, J. T. Glenn.

(d) Time Place and Preacher for next association—Sidney Tucker, J. R. Johnston, T. F. Ray, John Robertson, J. M. Teague, Newel Stuart,

12 Moderator appointed the following committees to take the place of standing committees who were absent

(a) Home Missions—Hugh Hagaman.

(b) Education—A. Clark.

(c) Minister's Relief—P. H. Haire.

(d) Orphanage—T. F. Ray.

13 Committee on Religious Exercises report preaching to-morrow at 11 a. m., by J. F. Eller.

14 Adjourned—Prayer by L. C. Wilson.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION

15 Devotional exercises conducted by Asa Brown, assisted by J. N. Calloway.

16 The Moderator called the Association to order at 9:30.

17 The clerk read minutes of yesterday which were approved.

18 Called and corrected roll of delegates.

19 H. A. Eller read

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Dear Brethren—Your committee can say with pleasure that Rev. J. F. Fletcher has been retained by the State Convention in our field of work, and it has been thought best by us, to continue his efforts at the same points occupied last year. The work at Obids and Old Fields is in excellent condition. At Obids we have an organization of 28 members in good working condition and a good house of worship well under way which we hope to see completed in the near future. This work is now very hopeful, from the fact that its membership is composed of excellent material. At Old Fields the work is in excellent condition, sixty-two members. A good Sunday School is maintained. A good house of worship is practically finished at a cost of $400 or $500 and we now hope that these points will become strong and self-sustaining churches. The work at Jefferson, while it may seem to be going slowly, still we think that it is in good condition, and we are measurably satisfied with its present condition. In addition to these points, four other needy points have been aided by Bro. Fletcher and the cause upheld and materially strengthened. The association can readily see that Bro. Fletcher has been and is a very hard worked man. And after having done all that it was possible for him to do, under existing conditions, yet there remains much more to be done, besides maintaining what has already been accomplished; in fact another field larger than that occupied last year, remains practicaly untouched and ripe for the laborers, in our bounds. In justice to the work and to the missionary, it occurs to your committee that it will be the part of justice and wisdom for the association to contribute liberally during the ensuing year for the support and prosecution of this work. Submitted by—H. A. Eller, L. J. Sturgill.

20 J. F. Fletcher read

REPORT OF MISSIONARY.

For ten months ending Aug, 31, 1904.

Sermons Preached.	115
Families visited,	94
Received by letter,	6
Conversions witnessed,	7
Baptized,	3

COLLECTIONS.

State Missions,	$13.25
Foreign Missions,	4.00
Home Missions,	4.00
Ministerial Relief,	2.10
Orphanage,	3.96
Bible Fund S S B, S B,	C3.00
Total	$30.31

We have practically completed one house of worship on my field to wit Old Fields and have another nearing completion at Obids. For the last few months your missionary has been supplying seven churches while preaching two Sundays each month at Jefferson.

J. F. Fletcher, Missionary.

21 The two above written reports were discussed by H. A. Eller, Asa Brown, P. H. Haire, J. R. Brown and Geo. Pennington.

22 The hour having arrived for preaching a further discussion was postponed until afternoon session.

23 The Association adjourned until 1:30 p. m., during a part of which time Rev. J. F. Eller preached an able and interesting sermon, subject: "Contend earnestly for the faith, etc." P. H, Haire and J. F. Fletcher taking part in the exercises.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

24 The Association met at 1:30—Song "Am I a Soldier of the Cross," and was called to order by Moderator.

25 Pending the adoption of the above mentioned reports, J. F. Fletcher read

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

There are near one hundred men employed by our State Mission Board who labor in eastern, middle and western N C. We should support them by our prayers and contributions, because they labor for the evangelization of our own people. We should support them because the evangelization of our people depends largely upon the salvation of our own country and the world,— J F Fletcher, Com.

26 Hugh Hagaman read

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The field occupied by our Home Mission Board is the Southern States, Oklahoma, Indian Territory and Cuba. In the report of the Secretary of the Home Mission Board for the year 1904, we find that the Board has in its employ 616 missionaries; that they baptized 147,070 persons in their respective fields of labo-

and constituted 157 churches during lsst year. The Board is also aiding 9 high-schools in the mountains of western North Carolina for the benefit of our mountain people. Our Home Mission Board meets the foreigner who comes to our shores with the word of God. It is giving the gospel to foreigners already here, to the Indians, the negro and to the people in Cuba, This work is done or not done as we may decide by our prayers and contributions. Respectfully submitted.—Hugh Hagaman, Com.

27 J. F. Stanly read

RFPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

In obedience to the command of God to "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature,"—Mark 16:15. We now have a great army of workers in China, Africa, Brazil, Japan and Italy—16 new missionaries have gone out this year. God's blessings have attended them. They report for the year, 2076 baptisms and that the prospects for the future are bright and encouraging.—J. F. Stanly, Com.

28 At this period the committee on religious exercises announced preacning at the stand by J. F. Fletcher.

29 The Association adjourned for the sermon.

30 The Association resumed business at 3:30 and the discussion of the above reports were continued by J. F. Fletcher, L. C. Wilson, Geo. Pennington, J. R. Brown and others.

(The tide of enthusiasm reached high water mark when Bro Sturgill purposed that we make pledges for for associational missions, as individuals for ourselves and as delegates for our churches. It seemed that all the brethren wished to subscribe at once—Clerk.)

Pending the adoption of the above reports the following pledges were taken from individuals and churches:

Apple Grove	$5.00
Baptist Home	5.00
Beaver Creek	5.00
Big Laurel	5.00
Bristol	1.00
Brushy Fork	5.00
Buffalo	
Clifton	5.00
Forest Home	10.00
Friendship	2.00
Healing Springs	5 00
Jefferson	5.00
Laudmark	
Long Branch	2.00
Mission Home	
Mt. View	
Obids	2.50
Old Fields	5.00
Peak Valley	5.00
Pleasant Hill	2,00
Windfall	1.50
Total pledged	$78.00
By Individuals—	
L. J. Sturgill	$5.00
E. H. Graybeal	5 00
A. Clark	5.00
" " Orphanage	5.00
J. T. Glenn	5.00
T. F. Ray	5.00
W. H. Glenn	2.00
N. Campbell	1.00
Arthur Graybeal	2.00
W. H. Tyre	2.00
Hugh Hagaman	2.00
J. A. Parsons	1.00
J. R. Johnson	1.00
J. M. Teague	2.50
J. N. Calloway	2,00
" " Orph.	1:00
R. B. Hudler	1.00
" " Orph.	1.00
E. M. Johnson	1.00
C M. Dixon	1.00
J. W Goodman	1.00
H. A. Eller	2.00
R. L. Shoaf	1.00
Owen Welch	1.00
J. S. Denny	2.50
Mrs. Wiley Lewis	1 00
" Clem Winberger	1.00
Miss M Graybeal	1.00
Mrs. Mary	2.00
Total	$59.00
Grand total	$136.00

31 The above mentioned motions were adopted.

32 Moderator appointed the following committee to nominate an Executive Committee:

J. R, Johnson, Sidney Tucker, H. Hagaman, Comm

33 Adjourned—Prayer by P. H. Haire, benediction by J. F. Eller.

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION.

34 The Association met at 9 a. m., spent 30 minutes in devotional exercises conducted by N. Campbell, J. R. Brown, assisting

35 Moderator called the association to order at 9:30.

36 Clerk read minutes of yesterday which were approved.

37 Committee on Time, Place and Preacher for next year handed in the following report, which was adopted to wit: Place, Old Fields; Time, Tuesday after first Sunday in Sept. 1905; Preacher, E. Tucker, Alternate, P. H. Haire.

38 T. F. Ray offered the

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

Our Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville has been in operation for 20 years and has done a great work for the Orphan children of our State. Over 300 has gone out from it to make homes for themselves in the world; there is near that number there now to be cared for by the Baptists of N.C. Therefore it is our duty to support it with our prayers and contributions. Respectfully submitted—T F. Ray, Committee.

Report discussed by R. L. Shoaf and others. A special prayer was offered by the association for the Orphanage and especially the children who are at present sick with fever. A collection was taken for the Orphanage amounting to $11.66, and the following subscriptions taken: J. F. Reece, 50 cts, J. T. Glenn, $1 00, report adopted.

39 Association adjourned until 1 p. m., during a part of which time L. C. Wilson, preached an able and interesting sermon; Text, Isa. 54:23—assisted in the service by John Norris and J. F. Fletcher.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

40 Association called to order by Moderator.

41 R. L. Shoaf read

REPORT ON S. S. AND COLPORTAGE.

The great good that results from the Sunday Schools is too well known to this body to need any argument to convince it of their importance. Therefore, we, your committee, do earnestly recommend that all of our churches which have no Sunday Schools would go to work and organize and keep in action, lively evergreen Sunday Schools and supply them with Libraries and such other Literature as is in accordance with God's word.

If you cannot cross the ocean,
And the heathen lands explore;
You can find the heathen nearer,
You can help them at your door.
If you cannot rouse the wicked,
With the Judgments dread alarm;
You can lead the little children,
To the Savior's waiting arms.

REPORT ON COLPORTAGE.

Brethren of this Association, being as we are apprised of the fact that this is one very important part or branch of our work, your committee would recommend that this body devise some plan to place one or two colporters to travel in the bounds of this association and supply the people with Bibles, Testaments, and other denominational books and literature Respectfully--R. L. Shoaf.

Discussed by R. L. Shoaf, J. Fletcher, P. H. Haire, W. H. Michaels and others and adopted.

42 P. H. Haire offered

REPORT ON MINISTER'S RELIEF.

God seems to have left upon our hands these worn out servants of his, to test our love for Him, "Inasmuch as ye did it unto one of the least of my disciples ye did it unto me." There are two aged, afflicted ministers in our association receiving some help from this fund. The Board which has charge of this work, can do no more than we enable them to do by our contributions to this work. Let us do something and do it now, Respectfully submitted--P. H Haire, Committee.

43 J. F. Fletcher offered the following preamble and resolution, which was adopted as follows:

Whereas, we hear with sadness of the continued and serious ill ness of our beloved brother Rev. T M. Duncan. Therefore, be it Resolved: that we pray for and assure Bro. Duncan of our high regard for him and tender him and his family our sincerest sympathy and love in their great affliction and commend to him the precious promises of God with which he has so often tried to comfort others.

Pending the adoption of the above preamble and resolution the Association engaged in special prayer for Bro. Duncan.

44 H. A. Eller read

REPORT OF COM. ON FINANCE.

Received for minute fund	$21.88
" State Missions	2.81
" Home "	4.00
" Foreign "	6.70
" Orphanage	9.66
Total	$45.05

H. A. Eller, Jesse Davis, Committee.

45 The following standing committees were appointed to report on the different objects of our work at next association.

State Missions—H. A. Eller.

Home Missions—M, M. Blevins.

Foreign Missions—R. L. Shoaf.

Orphanage—J. F. Stanley.

Ministers Relief—J. T. Glenn.

Education—J. R. Johnson.

Temperance—J. M. Teague.

(Those who find that they will not be able to attend the next meeting of our association will please write and mail their reports to the clerk at least two weeks before the meeting.)

46 C. W. Phillips offered

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your committee do recommend that we as Baptists strictly ad here to the teaching of God's word on these things and preach and practice temperance in all things and total abstinence from all intoxicating liquors, and teach our people and our children the awful consequences of indulging in strong drink and advise our Baptist people to adhere strictly to the 12th article in our constitution —Walter Phillips, Committee.

Adopted after remarks by J. F. Stanly.

47 R. L. Shoaf read

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas, we the Ashe county Association, now in session hear with sad regret that Brushy Fork church, for whom we have great respect, has received into her fellowship and communion one J. C, Johnson and allowed him to officiate in her ordinances, who stands an excluded member from Beaver Dam church, in Three Forks Association, for heresy and in gross disorder—And whereas, it appears to the satisfaction of this body now in session, that the said Brushy Fork church, has called and recognized as pastor one James Stout, who is also an excluded member from Holly Springs church, of Watauga Association, for uniting with the said J. C. Johnson, and preaching and advocating the same heresy to the jeopardy of the peace and prosperity of the Baptist cause. Therefore, Resolved. That the Ashe county association, now in session, humbly pray and entreat the said Brushy Fork church to put from among them that heresy that can only blight her hopes of future prosperity, and remain in fellowship and union with her brethren who feel that they need their help in prosecuting the great work which God has called his people to do. And your committee would recommend that this body appoint a committee of expe-

rienced and influential brethren to confer with the said Brushy Fork church at once and labor with her in a spirit of love and help her to see her mistake. And your committee would further exhort the churches composing this association to rise up in their might and stand firm against this pernicious influence which is threatning the peace and prosperity of our homes and our churches And further, your committee would commend the noble action of Clifton church; that when she was enabled to see her mistake like brave and true men, confessed her mistake and has set herself right before the world Pending the adoption of the above resolution the following committee was appointed to visit Brushy Fork church, to wit; E. H Graybeal, R L. Shoaf, J L. Sturgill. J. F. Stanly and J. F Fletcher Resolved further, that the request of the delegates from Pleasant Hill church be granted with regards to a committee asked for to visit them and aid them in the settlement of some troubles in their church of similar nature to that of Brushy Fork church. E Tucker, W H Glenn and J. F. Fletcher appointed a committee to visit Pleasant Hill. Resolved, that the thanks of this body are due and are hereby tendered to the brethren, sisters and friends of this community for their kind hospitalities during the setting of this association. Your committee also recommends that some means be devised to give the Grayson's Chapel preaching and to build up the Baptist cause at that place.

While this recomendation was under consideration, Rev. J. F. Stanly agreed to preach once a month at Grayson's Chapel for the next year.

Whereas there are so many delinquent members in our churches who never attend thsir church meeting or help to bear the burdens of the church in any way.

Resolved: That this association advise all the churches through their pastors and delegates to revise their church books and notify their delinquents to come to their church meeting and make satisfaction. This can be done by a committee or otherwise and if they do not respond to this request, the church should prefer charges against them for non-attendance and with draw fellowship from them. Adopted.—R. L. Shoaf, J. T, Glenn, Comm.

49 Committee to recommend an executive committe. Report as follows:

Executive Committee—H. A. Eller, J. L. Siurgill, T. F. Ray.

Report adopted.

H. A. Eller. read.

Report On Education.

We believe as citizens we should encourage public and general education among the people. And as Baptists we believe it our duty to give our children as extended education as is within our reach, and especially along moral and religious lines. And for college train-

ing we recomend Wake Forest College as sefe and worthy of our patronage. We urge upon our young minlsters the great importonce of a liberal education. Submitted—H. A. Eller, J. E. Davis.

51 H. A. Eller read

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Your committee would urge upon our pastors the importance of getting our people to read more, and to do all in their power to place in as many famalies as possible the Biblical Recorder and we also recomend to all our people the Foreign Mission Journal, and Charity and Children the paper of the Orphanage. Submitted—H. A. Eller.

52 Moderator appointed the following correspondents: Three Forks Association; R. L. Shoaf, Wilson Osborne, J. L Sturgill, J. F. Stanly, Arthur Graybeal. New River J. F. Fletcher, J. T. Glenn, E Tucker, H. Hagaman.

53 Appointed J. F, Fletcher a delegate to the Baptist State Convention.

54 On motion of H. A. Eller—adjourned, prayer by J. F. Fletcher.

The association sang "How firm a foundation" and took the parting hand, benediction by L. C. Wilson.

(Thus passed, surely one of the best sessions of the Ashe Association—Clerk.)

E. Tucker, Moderator.

J. F. Fletcher, Clerk and Treasurer.

APPENDIX.

TREASURES REPORT

Received from Committee on Finance—

Received for minute fund	$21.88
" State Missions	2.81
" Home "	4.00
" Foreign "	6.70
" Orphanage	9.66
Collected at Association for Orphanage	11.66
Total	$56.71

Paid out forpri nting, mailing, minutes etc.	$16.88
Retained fee allowed Clerk	5.00
Sent to Walter Durham	13.51
" Orphanage	21.32
Total	$56.71

J. F. Fletcher, Treas.

OBITUARIES.

In memory of sister Ellen Roak wife of Wm. Roark, died Dec. 28, 1903. She was a member of the church for 18 years.

Brother Thomas Rash was born March 27, 1845 and died June 7th, 1904, aged 59 years 2 mos. and 11 days—was a member of the church 26 years.

Sister Lillie Milam, born Nov. 8, 1887, died Oct. 2, 1903, aged 15 years 10 mos. and 24 days—was a member of Peak Valley church about 6 years.
Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: yea saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them—Rev. 14:13.

Statistical Table.

CHURCHES	P. O.		Sunday	Baptised	Letter & Application	Dismissed by Letter	Deceased	Exclusion	Males	Females	Total	Gain over last year	Loss from last year
Apple Grove	Weasel,	N C	2	1	3	2			25	50	75	8	
Baptist Home	Parker,	"	3	2	1	3			18	33	51	7	
Bethel	Nettle Knob,	"	2	2		6	2	3	35	53	88		10
*Bethlehem	Baldwin,	"							9	14	23		
Beaver Creek	Beaver Creek	"	3	3	1	2			24	22	46	1	
Big Laurel	Grigsby,	"	4	14	2			1	17	25	42	16	
Bristol	Jefferson,	"	3	1		3	1	1	15	25	40		4
Brushy Fork	Wheeler,	"	2	9		2	1		30	58	89	6	
Buffalo	Tree Top,	"	1	2		2	1	17	17	43	60		
Clifton	Clifton,	"	2		1		1		21	20	41		
*Corinth	Rugby,	Va.							36	61	97		
Forest Home	Berlin,	N C	2	2					18	18	36	2	
Friendship	Idol,	"	1						24	49	73		
Healing Springs	Crumpler,	"	1	2	1	6	1	1	29	45	74		3
Jefferson	Jefferson,	"	1		3	3	1		23	14	37		1
Landmark	Bud;	"	4	2	2		1	6	42	79	121		3
Long Branch	Ashly,	"	4			2		1	16	12	28		3
Mission Home	Fleetwood,	"	1			2			39	42	81		2
Mt. View	Grigsby,	"	2	2		2	2	10	12	16	28		12
*Meadow View	Vernon,	"							10	14	24		
New River	Weav'r'sFord	"	3	11	4		1		37	64	101	14	
Obids	Obids,	"	4		1	1			8	20	28		
Old Fields	Idlewild,	"	4			4	1	1	20	42	62		3
Peak Valley	Dyson,	"	1	6			3		19	31	48		2
Pleasant Home	Sussex,	"	4	2	2			2	32	47	79	5	
Pleasant Hill	Kipling,	"	3	1					23	39	62	1	
Windfall	Weasel,	"	3						13	19	32		1
				57	20	40	16	49	611	955	1566	60	44

*The churches marked thus (*) were not represented and the figures of last year are given.

Financial Table.

CHURCHES	Minute Fund	Pastor's Salary	State Missions	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Ministerial Relief	Orphanage	Helped the Poor	C'h bld'g and repair	Value C'h property
Apple Grove	1 25	10 25						8 75	450 00	450 00
Baptist Home	75	20 00								400 00
Bethel	1 00	21 00	I 30	1 00			1 61		50 00	500 00
Bethlehem										
Beaver Creek	50	20 00	6 59	2 00	2 00			8 50	60	500 00
Big Laurel	1 00	26 25		1 50			3 15		400 00	400 00
Bristol	64									100 00
Brushy Fork	70	9 43			45					400 00
Buffalo	70	10 00			1 50					400 00
Clifton	50	2 40							1 75	175 00
Corinth										400 00
Forest Home	2 25	24 50								350 00
Friendship	50	4 25								
Healing Springs	1 00	26 00		1 00		1 00	1 00			400 00
Jefferson	50	22 10	5 45	1 00	1 00				8 0\	500 00
Landmark	1 50	11 30						12 00	8 75	400 00
Long Branch	60	2 90	75	15	50		55			
Obids	85	11 00							200 00	250 00
Old Fields	1 00	25 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	2 10	2 80			400 00
Mission Home	79	25 00	79	1 60					27 00	
Mt. View	50	4 00				2 80	35			
Meadow View										
New River	1 00	26 48								400 00
Peak Valley	50	24 20		4 05			4 00			300 00
Pleasant Home	1 00	28 40			10					400 00
Pleasant Hill	1 00	5 80								200 00
Windfall	1 00	3 00								400 00
	21 88	254 36	15 85	13 30	6 51		11 56	29 85		

☞I have estimated the value of church houses where estimates not given—Cl'k.

Sunday School Statistics.

CHURCHES	SUP'T	P O		Off's & T'rs	Enrolled.	Av. Att.	Expenses		Ch. Mem's
Apple Grove	Floyd Stamper	Eye	N C	6	60	35			
Baptist Home	Jno Woodward	Parker	"			35	3	43	
Beaver Creek	T F Ray	Beaver Cr	"	7		34			25
Big Laurel	J T Glenn	Hemlock	"	6	65	38			
Buffalo	Jas Oliver	Tree Top	"	2	20				
Jefferson	W H Gentry	Jefferson	"	4	65	40	5	00	7
Mission Home	Willard Green	Not given		4	73				38
Peak Valley	W H Tyre	Solitude	"	5	87	45	5	25	21

Obids has union school and no report. Out of 27 churches only ten have Sunday Schools. Let us do better. Let every church report a Sunday School next year.—Clerk.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	P O	CLERKS	P. O.
Apple Grove	A. J. Hart	Green Cove Va	A. Privett	Kipling, Va.
Baptist Home	W. H. Michaels	Tracy, N C.	L J. Sturgill	Parker, N C
Bethel	Asa Brown	Riverside, "	C. W Phillipps	Beaver Creek "
Bethleham	J. F. Fletcher	Jefferson, "	Rob't Johnson	Baldwin, "
Beaver Creek	T. M. Duncan, J. F. Fletcher	" "	J L Goodman	Beaver Crek, "
Big Laurel	W. H. Michaels	Tracy "	Newel Stuart	Hemlock, "
Bristol	J. F. Fletcher	Jefferson, "	J. J McLower	Jefferson, "
Brushy Fork	A. W. Osborn	Roark, "	J. M Rominger	Wheeler, "
Buffalo	R. L. Shoaf	warresville, "	H. A Campbell	Beaver Creek, "
Clifton	J. F. Stanly	Graybeal, "	J G. Miller	Clifton, "
Corinth	no letter	or delegates		
Forest Home	E. Tucker	Bud, N. C	H A. Eller	Berlin, N C
Friendship	J. F. Fletcher	Jefferson, "	R M. Burkett	Idol, "
Healing Spring	E. Tucker	Bud, "	I N Hudler	Aster "
Jefferson	J. F. Fletcher	Jefferson, "	A E Graybeal	Jefferson, "
Landmark	E. Tucker	Bud, "	L M Brinegar	Parson, "
Long Branch	A. W. Osborn	Ben Bolin. "	J G Welsh	Edison, "
Mission Home	Asa Brown	Riverside, "	Wm Howel	Fleetwood, "
Mt. View	R. L. Shoaf	Warrensville, "	Jas. Coldiron	Grayson, "
New River	G J. Henderson	Sussex, "	M W Blevins	Weav'r'sFord "
Obids	J. F, Fletcher	Obids, "	W H Hartzog	Obids, "
Old Field	J. F. Fletcher	Jefferson "	H M Blackbrun	Idlewild, "
Pleasant Home	G J Henderson	Sussex, "	W R Lovelace	Ggasy Creek, "
Pleasant Hill	N M, Blevins	Green Cove Va.	L A Walker	Kiplin, Va
Windfall	Geo Penington	Kipling, "	E L Tucker	not given
Zion Hill	not represented	by letter or del-	egates	
Peak Valley	not given		W H Tyre	Solitude, N C
Meadow View	not represented	by letter or del-	egates	

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CONSTITUTION.

Article 1 This body shall be called The Ashe Association.

The object of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the Gospel in our bounds and in all the world, and in this work the Association will co-operate with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

2 The members of this body shall be all the ordained ministers of the churches composing this Association, and three delegates from each church, who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment and giving statistics of the membership and work of the church.

4 At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a Moderator, a Clerk and a Treasurer, in such a way as the Association may direct; the last two offices may be held by the same brother.

5 The Moderator shall preside at the meetings, preserve order, appoint committees, and perform such duties as are usually required of presiding officers.

6 The clerk shall keep a correct record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend printing and distributing to the churches these proceedings.

7 The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent up to the association, pay them out as the association may direct and make a report at each annual session.

8 The association shall hold an annual meeting at such time as place may be agreed upon.

9 At each annual meeting there shall be appointed an Executive Committee of three brethren, who shall look after the destitution in the bounds of this Association and co-operate with the State Mission board of the Baptist State Convention making to the next session a report of the work done and of the general state of Mission work.

10 At each annual session there shall be appointed committees to make reports during the session on the following subjects: Foreign Missions, Home Missions, Ministerial Education, Baptist Orphanage, Periodicals, Temperance, Digest of Church Letters, Finance and Time, Place and Preacher for next session.

11 Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

12 The association will not receive nor retain in permanent fellowship any church that retains in its fellowship any member who is disorderly in doctrine or practice, or who makes, sells or in any way deals in ardent spirits as a beverage.

13 This Constitution may be amended by a vote of two thirds of the members present at any annual session.

RULES OF ORDER.

1 Every session shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2 When the Moderator calls the Association to order every member shall at once take his seat.

3 When a member wishes to speak he shall rise and address the Moderator and not proceed until he has been recognized.

4 No member shall speak more than twice on any subject, except by permission of the body.

5 No member shall leave the body during the session without permission of the Moderator.

6 It will be counted disorder for any member to stand up leave the house, or hold private conversation while the Moderator or any member is speaking.

7 Order of business:

a Introductory sermon
b Enrollment of delegates.
c Election of officers
d Receptien of new churches.
e Reading Constitution, Rules of Order and Abstract of Principles
f Appointment of committees.
g Report of Executive Committee
h Report of Treasurer.
i Report of committees.
j Miscellaneous.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES.

1 We believe in one only true and living God: and that there are three persons in the God-head—the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, and these three are one.

2 We believe that the Bible, the Old and New Testament— is the word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice

3 We believe in the impotency of man and the sovereignty of God.

4 We believe that salvation is by grace, through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5 We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ, to be practiced only by believers in their scriptural order.

6 We believe that baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator. And that only those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and in doctrine, should take the Lord's Supper.

7 We believe in the final perseverance of the Saints in Grace to glory.

8 We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment.

9 We believe that the existence of the righteous and of the wicked will both be of eternal duration, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

Directory of the Ashe Baptist Association, 1905.

Officers: E. Tucker, Moderator; J.F. Fletcher, Clerk and Treasurer.

Member of the State Mission Board—J. E. Eller.

Delegate to the Baptist State Convention—J. F. Fletcher.

Executive Board—H. A. Eller, Berlin, N. C., L. J. Sturgill, Solitude, N. C., Wm. Howell, Fleetwood, N. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Barker, W. F., ... Bud, N. C.
Blackburn, S ..... " "
Blevins, C., ... Kipling, Va.
Carter, I. M., ... Bernice, N. C.
Campbell, N. A., ... Thaxton, "
Calloway, J. N., ... Jefferson, "
Fletcher, J. F., ... Jefferson, "
Glenn, W. H., ... Grigsby, "
Hurley, A., ... Thaxton, "
Haire, P. H., ... Fleetwood, "
Henderson, G. J., ... Sussex, "
Hart, J. R., ... Eye, "
Reedy, E. W., ... Rugby, Va.
Reece, J. F., ... Shoun's X Roads, Tenn.
Shoaf, R. L., ... Warrensville, N. C.
Stanley, J. F., ... Graybeal, "
Tucker, E., ... Bud, "
York, M., ... Rugby, Va.
Trivett, J. S., ... Fleetwood, N. C.

PROCEEDINGS.

Idlewild, N. C., Sept. 5, 1905.

1 The Ashe Association met this day in its 19th annual session with Old Fields Church.

2 Introductory sermon was preached by E. Tucker; Text, John 1:23 "He said, I am the voice etc." P. H. Haire taking part in the exercises.

3 Adjourned for one hour,

AFTERNOON SESSION.

4 The Association called to order by the Moderator at 1 P. M. Prayer by W. R. Beach.

5 The roll of churches was called and letters from 26 churches were handed in, and read by clerk, H. A. Eller assisting.

6 Delegates as subsequently reported were enrolled as follows:

Apple Grove—A. Clark.

Beaver Creek—J. L. Goodman, J. M. Teague, T. F. Ray.

Big Flats—W. G. Blackburn, R. C. Parsons, F. C. Church.

Big Laurel—J. T. Glenn, Abraham Kilby.

Bethel—C. W. Phillips, D. A. Hartzog, T. H. Brown.

Baptist Home—Robert Lewis, J. M. Arnold, L. J. Sturgill.

Bristol—T. J. Day, W. A. Johnson, J. W. Day.

Buffalo—Calvin Hodgson, Wm. Houck.

Bethlehem—Dissolved, 1905.

Brushy Fork—No letter or delegates.

Clifton—J. G. Miller.

Corinth—No letter and no delegates.

Forest Home—H. A. Eller, A. L. Snapp, R. L. Shoaf.

Friendship—J. B. Burkett, J. W. Goodman.

Healing Springs—M. M. Blevins, Hiram Baker.

Jefferson—C. M. Graybeal, J. F. Fletcher.

Landmark—J. C. Jones, J. C. Denny, J. M. Neaves, W F. Barker, Avery Oliver.

Long Branch—J. G. Welsh, John Welsh.

Meadow View—Not represented by letter or delegates.

Mission Home—J. J, Gentry, Wm. Howell, J. E. Woodruff.

Mt. View—J. J. S. Denny, S. P. Davis.

New River—George Phillips, Franklin Phipps, C. D. Brown.

Obids—I. F. Faw, Harrison Baker, L. F. Brown.

Old Fields—W. F. Keys, J. R. Johnson, H. M. Blackburn.

Pleasant Home—Letter and no delegates.

Pleasant Hill—L. A. Walker.

Peak Valley—Letter and no delegates.

Windfall—J. A. Wagoner.

Zion Hill—Not represented by letter or delegates.

7 On motion of R. L. Shoaf the association proceeded to the election of officers for the ensuing year, by private ballot. W. R. Beach and D. S. Lee acting as tellers, which resulted in the re-election of former Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer.

8 An opportunity was extended for newly constituted churches to unite with this body when a letter from Big Flats was offered by its delegates and was received.

9 Clerk read Constitution, Abstract of Principles and Rules of Order.

10 Visiting brethren were then invited to seats in the body when the following were recognized by the Moderator and welcomed to seats: W. R. Beach, Surry county Association, I. C. Miller, D. S. Lee, J. F. Church of the Stony Fork Association, A. Roten of Three Forks Association, C. M. Mikell, New River Association.

11 Moderator appointed the following committees.

(a) Committee on Religious Exercises:
Pastor and delegates of this church and J. P. Goodman and L. J. Sturgill.

(b) Com. on Finance:
M. M. Blevins, L. J. Sturgill.

(c) Com. on Resolutions:
R. L. Shoaf, W. F. Barker.

(d) Com. on Time, Place and Preacher for next association:
J. I. Glenn, J. G. Miller, Jas Wagoner, A. Clark.

(e) Com on S. S. and Colportage:
J. M. Neaves, M. M. Blevins.
(f) Com. on Orphanage:
J. F. Fletcher.
(g) Com on Executive Committee:
Cicero Brown,
J. R. Johnston,
J. Z. Glenn.

Committee on Religious Exercises report preaching tomorrow at 11 a. m. by W. R Beach.

13 On motion of L. J. Sturgill adjourned until tomorrow at 8:30.

14 Moderator appointed D. S. Lee to conduct religious exercises from 8:30 a. m. to 9 a. m.

15 Adjourned. Prayer by D. S. Lee, benediction by J. M. Neaves.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION.

16 Association met at 8:30 a. m. Spent thirty minutes in devotional exercises conducted by D S. Lee—A. Roten taking part in the exercises.

17 Moderator called the Association to order at 9 a. m.

18 Read minutes of yesterday, which were approved.

19 Clerk called and corrected roll of delegates.

20 On motion of J. F. Fletcher Moderator appointed following committees to visit Zion Hill and Meadow View churches, to wit: To visit Meadow View, W. F. Barker and J. M. Neaves; Zion Hill, J. F. Fletcher and P. H. Haire, and to report at the next sitting of this body as to their welfare and to know why they have not been represented in this body for the last three years.

21 L. Johnson, Corresponding Secretary State Mission Board, and A. Johnson, representing the orphanage at Thomasville, were recognized by the moderator and invited to seats in the body.

22 The Modeaator called for

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Dear Brethren: Your committee can say that by the continued aid of the State Mission Board, E der J. F. Fletcher has been continued on the field as missionary and has done much valuable service at five points, viz: Jefferson, Beaver Creek, Mission Home, Old Fields and Obids, besides some other points assisted at different times, besides making a tour of nearly the whole Association. He has assisted in the organizati n of one new church. We feel sure he has done faithful work and as much as we can expect any man to do for the same remuneration and under the existing conditions; and while we express our satisfaction at what has been done, we are far from being satisfied with the condition of our entire work. The points occupied the past year are still needy and clamoring for continued aid and certain unfortunate circumstances among some of our churches have demanded his services and still needs them. These points need and demand the whole time of one or more men; besides we have a territory lying on our east as large as one fourth of the whole county, practically untouched by us and largely unoccupied by any denomination and destitute of regular

gospel preaching. This territory is ours if we will possess it and will in time be a source of much strength to us if cultivated now. It has been our policy for years to advance upon and work this territory as fast as possible, so we are at a loss to know just what to recommend. But we advise that we continue to uphold the work already begun at the most needy places before named and push out to promising points on the eastern border and if the Association can see its way clear to put more force to work it will be well to do so, We recommend that steps be taken now to secure financial aid to continue this work and hope that delegates will respond with liberal pledges to this work. Brethren, pardon your committee for this one suggestion, to wit: If we expect to make any advancement or even hold our ground, we must, we MUST quicken our pace. Submitted,

H. A. Eller,
L. J. Sturgill,
T. F. Ray,

23 REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

There are 140 men employed by the State Mission Board laboring in North Carolina who deserve the support and sympathy of every Baptsst in the Association and the State at large. We recommend that every church in this Association co tribute tc this work as often as every six months and as far as possible secure contributions from every one of its members, no matter how small, and let the church pray for the success of this work at each and every meeting.

Submitted, H. A. Eller.

24 The two above reports were considered together and discussed by L. Johnson and made a special order for 1:30 p, m.

25 Pending the adoption of the above-mentioned reports, the Association adjourned to hear a sermon by W. R. Beach, text, Mark 8:36—"What shall it profit a man,"&c. L. Johnson assisted in the services.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

26 The Association met at 1 p. m. and was called to order by the Moderator.

27 Moderator appointed Committee on Obituaries:

J. F. Fletcher, J. T. Glenn.

28 The hour for the special order having arrived, the above-mentioned reports were further discussed by P. H. Haire and H. A. Eller, and adopted.

29 The following pledges were received for State and Associational missions from churches and individuals:

	State Mission.	Asso'l Mission.
Apple Grove,	$5 00	
Baptist Home,	5 00	
L. J. Sturgill,	2 50	2 50
John Arnold,	2 00	2 00
Beaver Creek,	2 50	5 00
Big Laurel,	5 00	3 00
Bethel,	2 50	5 00
Bristol,	2 00	2 00
Big Flats,	2 50	
Buffalo,	2 00	
Clifton,	2 00	
Forest Home,	5 00	5 00
	35	24

Friendship,	2 00	2 00
Healing Spring	2 50	2 50
J T Glenn,	5 00	3 00
Jefferson,	5 00	5 00
Landmark,	5 00	5 00
Long Branch,	1 50	1 50
Obids,	2 50	2 50
Mt. View,	2 00	2 00
New River,	1 25	1 25
Pleasant Hill,	1 50	1 00
Windfall,	1 00	1 00
E H Graybeal,	2 50 91,75	2 50 25,25

30 J. H. Doughton, of Alleghany and Grayson Association, was recognized by the Moderator and invited to a seat in the body.

31 Committee on Religious Exercises report preaching at the stand at 3 p. m. by J. F. Fletcher and I. C. Miller.

32 On motion of W. F. Barker the Baptist Orphanage is made a special order at 10 a. m. Thursday.

33 J. F. Glenn read

REPORT ON BAPTIST MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

No more worthy object presents itself to us for our consideration than the above. Our aged or disabled Baptist ministers of the State, their widows or fatherless children find comfort in the fact that by the liberality of their people dispensed through this Board, they may not suffer for the necessities of life. The Board is expending over $100.00 in our Association at present, while we have given only the merest pittance to this work. If we appreciate the work done by our faithful ministers let us do more for this work. Submitted. J. T. Glenn, Com.

Discussed by A. Johnson, J. T. Glenn and adopted.

34 J. M. Teague presented

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

In view of the startling fact that intemperance is annually sending thousands of precious souls to eternal perdition, your committee does most earnestly submit the following resolutions:

1 That we the Baptists of Ashe Association do aid both by our prayers and our votes the great cause of Prohibition in our county, state and nation.

1 That we discourage dram drinking or any indulgence in any intoxicating liquors by dealing with any member or members of our respective churches who are known to participate in such unscriptural practice.

3 That we teach the youth of our land and country not only to be temperate, but total abstinance from the use of all intoxicating beverages, both by precept and example. Submitted. J. M. Teague, Comm.

Discussed by P. H. Haire, J. M. Neaves and Livingston Johnson—and adopted.

35 Com. on Time, Place and preacher for next association report: Time Tuesday after 3rd Sunday in August 1906. Place, Big Laurel church. Preacher, G. J. Henderson, Alternate, J. F. Stanly. Submitted J. I. Glenn, J. C. Denny, Ambrose Clark, J. G. Miller, Jas. Wagoner. Report adopted.

36 On motion of J. F. Fletcher association adjourned to

31.50
42.20

meet tomorrow at 8:30 a. m., to spend 30 minutes in devotional exercises to be conducted by J M. Arnold.

Prayer by J. M. Neaves. Benediction by J. F. Fletcher.

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION.

37 Association met at 8.30 a. m. Spent half hour in devotional exercises conducted by J. M. Arnold.

38 Moderator called the association to order 9 a. m.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Our people need information along all lines of mission work. To furnish this information we have newspapers containing the very things we want to know. The Biblical Recorder, the oldest and best of them all, may be had for $1.50 a year, and no Baptist home can afford to be without it. The readers of the Recorder are those who are doing the work of our denomination. Then there are the North Carolina Baptist, and Charity and Children, the organ of the Orphanage, the Home Field, and Foreign Mission Journal. We recommend all these papers to our people. Submitted. P. H. Haire, T. F. Ray, Committee.

40 J. F. Fletcher read

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

The Orphanage has had under its care since it began twenty yrs. ago some 800 children. There are 300 there now. The cost of maintaining a child is $5 a month and this included the salaries of all the employes. In connection with the institution there is a farm of over 300 acres on which the boys find profitable employment. There is also a wood shop, a shoe shop and a printing office which provide valuable training and from which many of the boys have gone to fill honorable places in the State. The management of the orphanage is under Rev. M. L. Kesler, a man of fine common sense and ability. It is in excellent condition and its prospects are bright for the best year in its history. There are from the Ashe Association four children which are costing somebody $20 a month. Are we allowing some other Association to support these children? We urge our people to make more liberal contributions to the Orphanage and thus come nearer the measure of our duty to it.

J. F. Fletcher, Comm.

Discussed by Archibald Johnson, T. F. Ray and R. L. Shoaf and adopted.

41 Pending the adoption of the above report the following pledges were made by churches and individuals for the Orphanage; besides a hat collection and subscriptions to "Charity and Children" amounting to $13.47 were taken up.

42 Pledges to Orphanage.

Baptist Home	$2 00	Bethel	1 00
Beaver Creek	2 50	Big Laurel	2 00
Bristol	1 00	Buffalo	1 00
Clifton	1 00	Forest Home	2 00
Friendship	1 00	Healing Spring	1 00
Jefferson	2 00	Landmark	1 00
Obids	1 00	Old Fields	2 00
Mission Home	1 50	J. J. S. Denny	1 00
New River	1 50	Pleasant Hill	1 00
J. A. Wagoner	pd 50	R. T Goodman	2 00
H. A. Eller	1 00	J. I. Glenn pd	1 00
W. F. Keys	50	W. H. Garvey	1 00

J. M. Arnold	1 00	Mrs. Wm. Howell	50
Joe Johnston	1 00	Big Flats ch	1 00
Mrs. W H. Garvey	1 00		

REPORT ON S, S. AND COLPORTAGE.

We find that only ten of our churches have any Sunday School. There is no greater responsibility resting upon us than the manner in which we teach our children His word. See Deut 6chap. and 4th v; we cannot better do this than to associate our children and our neighbor's children together in a Sunday school capacity. To fully supply our Sunday schools throughout the bounds of our association with the Bible and other religious literature. We must and should have a colporter in the field to meet this necessity and that the Ex. Com. be authorized to carry on the work as outlined by the association three years ago. Submitted—M. M. Blevins, J. M. Neaves, Com.

The above report discussed by A. Roten, J. I. Glenn, R. L. Shoaf, M. M. Blevins, and adopted.

44 Corinth church presents the following query: "Will the association allow a church to tax its members to pay Pastor's salary?"

45 The Association authorized the Clerk to answer query as follows: The Association has nothing to do with it. Every Baptist church has a right to manage its business to suit its own conditions

46 Com. to nominate Ex. Com. Report as follows: We your Com. to recommond an Ex. Com. beg leave to submit the following: For Ex. Com. for the ensuing year—H. A. Eller, L. J. Sturgill, Wm. Howell. Submitted—Cicero Brown, J. R Johnston, J. T. Glenn, Com.

47 R. L. Shoaf presented the following resolution of thanks which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved: That the thanks of this body are due and hereby tendered to Brethren, sisters and friends of this church and community for their hospitality during the sitting of this association. Respectfully submitted,

R. L. Shoaf.

48 The following standing committees were announced:
State Missions—C. W. Phillipps.
Home Missions - L. J. Sturgill.
Foreign Missions - J. M. Neaves.
S. S. and Colportage—H. A. Eller.
Orphanage—J. R. Johnston.
Ministers Relief—J L. Goodman.
Education—J. C. Goodman.
Temperance—W. F. Barker.
(Those who find that they will not be able to attend the next meeting of our association will please write and mail their reports to the Clerk at least two weeks before the meeting.)

49 Association adjourned for two hours during a part of which time Livington Johnson preached, Text, Luke 9:35—38.

50 Moderator called the association to order at 1 p. m.

51 Com. on Finance Report. Reported aadopted:

Printing Minutes	$22 80	Ministers Relief	2 10
Associational Missions	5 25	Orphanage	13 47
State Missions	60		
Home Missions	2 40	Total	$47 22
Foreign Missions	60		

Respectfully submitted—M. M Blevins, L. J. Sturgill, Committee.

52 Com. appointed last year to visit Brushy Fork church. Report as follows:

For certain reasons only two of the Com. could be there at the appointed time and as the minority could not act as the Com, nothing was accomplished at the time; though since have consulted a number of the brethren and find the church in a more hopeful condition than was thought; therefore we recommend that this body bear with them another year in the hope that they will became thoroughly reconciled and submitted in the Gospel Faith. Submitted—L. J Stuegill, J. F. Fletcher, R. L. Shoaf, Com.

Discussed by L J. Sturgill and R.L. Sheaf and adopted.

53 M. M. Blevins read report on

HOME MISSIONS.

To this Department belong the Southern States Oklahoma, Indian Territory and Cuba. We have had in the field for the past year 614 missienaries, have built and repaired 175 houses of worship Have received by baptism 7526 and by letter 9271 members. Total gain for the year 16,797. We have 714 Sunday schools. And have in W N. C 9 schools aided by this Board, employing 65 teachers with an enrollment of 1800 students. We certainly need a Baptist school in the bounds of the Ashe Association. Therefore to more fully develop this work we must contribute more liberally to this fund and pray God that this work will prosper. Respectfully submitted,

M. M. Blevins, Com.

Discussed by M. M. Blevins, R. L Shoaf and P. H. Haire and adopted.

54 Com. on Religious Exercises report preaching at the stand at 3 p. m, by C. M. Mikell.

55 Com. on

FOREIGN MISSIONS REPORT.

The Foreign Mission work is a subject that commends itself to our favorable and prayerful consideration and demands our hearty support. It is the object of the Foreign Mission Board to give the Gospel to the teeming millions that are perishing in heathen darkness. The work began in China in A. D. 1845; since that time much has been done—still there remains much more to be done. We have now about 200 missionaries in different fields with about the same number of native helpers. There has been during the last year something over 2200 conversions and baptisms on the Foreign Fields. Yet a very great work is before us, brethren, let us not be content with what has been done, for there is need of greater efforts in this work than ever before; the population is rapid y increasing, opposition is increasing and all the while men are dying without the Gospel. Awake brethren with greater zeal, for what we do must be done quickly. Submitted—R. L. Shoaf, Com.

Discussed by J. F. Fletcher and adopted.

56 Elder Wm. Lee reported himself as a messenger from Stony Fork Association and was welcomed by the Moderator to a seat in the body.

57 On motion of H. A. Eller the clerk be allowed $5 for his services and also pay for postage, stationery, etc., and have as many minutes printed as the funds left in his hands will pay for.

58 Clerk read

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

There is an educational awakening all over our southland at present, and we see and feel it in Ashe county, in the greater demand for qualified teachers and longer schools. We as Baptists are keeping pace with this movement and must not for a moment let our interest in the work of Education lag. The increased and increasing educational advantages of our young people demand a better educated ministry, in order that we as people, may rise with the tide and keep abreast of the times. The Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., and our own Wake Forest college are recommended as worthy of your patronage and support. Submitted—J. R. Johnston, Com.,

59 J. F. Fletcher read

REPORT OF MISSIONARY.

As missionary in Ashe Association for the year ending Sept. 5, 1905. I have preached 151 sermons, made 144 religious visits, baptized 7, received by letter 33. Witnessed 35 professions of religion. Organized 1 church. Have collected for State Missions $17.17, Home Missions $4 45, Foreign Missions $5 00. Bap. Min. Relief $4.19. Asso'n'l Missions near $100, J. F. Fletcher, Missionary.

60 Correspondents to sister Associations were appointed as follows: Three Forks, R. L. Shoaf and P. H. Haire; New River, E. Tucker and M. M. Blevins; Alleghany and Grayson, L. J. Sturgill, R. L. Shoaf and E. Tucker.

61 Delegates to Baptist State Convention: J. F. Fletcher, and P. H. Haire.

62 On motion of J. F. Fletcher adjourned. Trayer by J. F. Fletcher. Song, Doxology. Benediction by Moderator. E. Tucker, Moderator. J. F. Fletcher, Clerk and Treas.

APPENDIX.

Treasurer's Report

(a) Received for Minute Fund		$22 80
" " Asso'n'l Missions		5 25
" " State Missions		60
" " Home Missions		2 40
" " Foreign Missions		60
" " Ministers Relief		2 10
" " Orphanage		13 47
Total received		$47 22
Paid out for printing, postage stationery		$17 80
Turned over to L. Johnson for objects of Com.		5 70
Turned over to A. Johnson for Orphanage		13 47
Retained fee for service as Clerk		5 00
Paid to Associational Missionary		5 25
Total paid out		$47 22

J. F. Fletcher, Treasurer.

(b) Churches and individuals who pledged for Associational Missions and Orphanage.

Assoc'nl Miss.	Pledged	Pd		—Pledged—	Pd
Apple Grove	$5 00	.50	W H Glenn	2 00	2 00
Ambrose Clark	5 00		N Campbell	1 00	1 00
Baptist Home	5 00	5 00	Arthur Graybeal	2 00	2 00
Big Laurel	5 00	5 00	W H Tyre	2 00	
Bethel	5 00	5 00	Hugh Hagaman	2 00	2 00
Beaver Creek	5 00	5 00	J A Parsons	1 00	
Bristol	1 00	2 00	J R Johnston	1 00	1 00
Brushy Fork	5 00		J N Callaway	1 00	1 00
Clifton	5 00	2 35	R B Hudler	1 00	
Forest Home	10 00	10 00	C M Dixon	1 00	1 00
Friendship	2 00	2 00	E M Johnson	1 00	1 00
Healing Springs	5 00	1 50	J W Goodman	1 00	
Jefferson	5 00	5 00	H A Eller	2 00	2 00
Long Branch	2 00	2 00	R L Shoaf	1 00	
Obids	2 00	3 15	Owen Welsh	1 00	
Oldfields	5 00	5 00	J J S Denny	2 50	2 00
Peak Valley	5 00	5 00	Mrs Wiley Lewis	1 00	1 00
Windfall	1 50	1 50	Mrs Clem Winberger	1 00	1 00
L J Sturgill	5 00	5 00	Miss M Graybeal	1 00	1 00
E H Graybeal	5 00	5 00	Mrs E H Graybeal	2 00	2 00
J I Glenn	5 00	5 00	J M Teague	2 50	
T F Ray	5 00	5 00	Pleasant Hill	2 00	2 00

For Orphanage, Ambrose Clark pledged $5, paid $10; J. N. Calloway pledged $1, paid 90c; R B Huddle pledged $1.

S. S. STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	SUPT.	P. O.	Officers and Teachers	Enrollment	Av attendance	Expenses	Church mem in S S
Apple Grove,	J R Hart,	Floyd Stamper, Park, Va	5	60	35		
Big Flat,	W G Blackburn,	Fleetwood, N C	6	53	28	2 00	25
Bethel,	J P Goodman,	Nettle Knob, "	6	35		1 80	20
Beaver,	Cr J C Goodman,	Beaver Creek, "			40	2 00	
Bristol,	W A Johnson,	Jefferson, "		82	40	2 06	18
Buffalo,	J F Oliver,	Tree Top, "	1	30	20		
Landmark, good school, no statistics							
Obids,	D H Burgess,	Obids "	5	71	30	1 30	21
(*) Old Fields,	Presley Shepherd,	Idlewild. "	8	115		3 00	
Mission Home,	J A Moretz.	Fleetwood "	5	60	44		
New River,	J A Parsons,	Mo. Wilson, Va			50		
Peak Valley,	good sunday school						
			36	516	287	1216	

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STATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches	Sunday	Baptized	Letter and application	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Males	Females	Total	Gain over last year	Loss from last year
Apple Grove	2		1			1	24	51	75		
Big Flats	2	3	17				9	11	20		
Baptist Home	3	1	1				19	32	51		
Bethel	2	2	1	7			34	48	82		6
Beaver Creek	3	1		2		1	27	30	57	9	
Big Laurel	4	13	2	1			21	34	55	13	
Bristol	3	6	2		1	3	14	30	44	4	
Brushy Fork											
Buffalo	1		2	5		1	18	40	58		2
Clifton	2					1	20	20	40		1
Corinth	2					1	35	61	96		1
Forest Home	2	1		5	1		16	20	36		
Friendship	3	2					25		75	2	
Healing Spring	1	7	5		1	1	33	56	89	14	
Jefferson	1					2	21	14	35	2	
Landmark	4	7	3	3		1	45	83	128	7	
Long Branch	4		3	3			15	10	25		33
Obids	2	5	5				12	27	39	11	
Old Fields	4		6	2			22	45	67	5	
Mission Home	4		3	18		1			65		16
Mt View	2		1	3			13	10	23		5
Meadow View			1								
New River	3	1		4			35	63	98		3
Peak Valley	1	2		1	1	1	18	51	69		
Pleasant Home	4			6			25	44	69		6
Pleasant Hill	4		1		27	1	13	20	33		26
Windfall	3						13	18	31		1
		53	49	50	31	15	527	818	1345	67	67

Churches.	Pastors.	P. O.		Clerks.	P. O.	
Apple Grove	N M Blevins	Green Cove,	Va	A Prewitt	Kipling,	Va
Big Flats	P H Haire	Fleetwood	N C	W G Blackburn	Fleetwood,	N C
Baptist Home	W H Micheals	Tracy,	"	L J Sturgill	Solitude,	"
Bethel	A Brown	Riverside,	"	C W Phillips	Beaver Cr'k,	"
Beaver Creek	J F Fletcher	Jefferson,	"	J L Goodman	"	"
Big Laurel	W H Micheals	Tracy,	"	Newell Stuard	Hemlock,	"
Bristol	P H Haire	Fleetwood,	"	N A Johnson	Jefferson,	"
Brushy Fork						
Buffalo	R L Shoaf	Warrenville,	"	H A Campbell	Beaver Cr'k	"
Clifton	J F Stanly	Graybeal,	"	J G Miller	Clifton,	"
Corinth	G J Henderson	Rugby,	Va	J L McGrady	Grant,	Va
Forest Home	E Tucker	Bud,	N C	H A Eller	Berlin,	N C
Friendship	P H Haire	Fleetwood,	"	R M Burkett	Idol,	"
Healing Spring	E Tucker	Bud,	"	I N Hudler	Aster,	"
Jefferson	J F Fletcher	Jefferson,	"	S E Graybeal	Jefferson,	"
Landmark	E Tucker	Bud,	"	L M Brinegar	Parsons,	"
Long Branch	W H Glenn	Grigsby,	"	J G Welsh	Edison,	"
Obids	J F Fletcher	Jefferson,	"	W H Hartzog	Obids	"
Old Fields	" "	"	"	H M Blackburn	Idlewild,	"
Mission Home	" "	"	"	Wm Howell	Fleetwood,	"
Mt View	N A Campbell	Crayson,	"	Jas Coldiron	Grayson,	"
Meadow View						
New River	G J Henderson	Rugby,	Va	M M Blevins	Weaversford,	"
Peak Valley	W H Micheals	Tracy,	N C	S H Tyre	Dyson	"
Pleasant Home	G J Henderson	Rugby,	Va	A R Lovelace	Grassy Creek,	"
Pleasant Hill	G M Penington	Kipling,	Va	L A Walker	Kipling	Va
Windfall	E Tucker	Bud,	N C	E L Tucker	Weasel,	N C

FINANCIAL TABLE.

Churches	Minute Fund	Pastor's Salary	State Mission	Home Mission	Foreign Mission	Orphanage	Asso'l Mission	Min. Relief	For the Poor	Miscellaneous	Total. all purposes	Value c'h property
Apple Grove	1 50	10 00				10 00	50				22 00	450 00
Big Flats	50	8 00									8 50	
Baptist Home	60	33 95					23 00				57 55	400 00
Bethel	1 00					77	5 00				6 00	500 00
Beaver Creek	1 00	25 00	5 00	15	3 30	2 05	10 00	1 68			49 18	500 00
Big Laurel	1 00	34 43		50		2 26	16 20		8 00		62 39	400 00
Bristol	65	10 00				90	2 00		5 00		18 65	100 00
Brushy Fork												
Buffalo	85	12 00		1 30							13 95	400 00
Clifton	50	9 25					2 25				12 10	300 00
Corinth	1 00	14 75									15 75	500 00
Forest Home	1 50	28 50					12 00				42 00	350 00
Friendship	1 00	10 00					2 00				13 00	
Healing Spring	1 50	17 35	60	60	60	60	1 50	60			23 85	400 00
Jefferson	50	9 00	3 56	2 25	5 00		5 00				25 11	500 00
Landmark	2 00	16 05				1 20		1 50			20 75	
Long Branch	50		40		50	20	2 00		20		3 40	
Obids	75	12 00	3 80			2 20	3 15				21 90	400 00
Old Fields	1 00	30 00	2 25				6 00	1 40			39 65	400 00
Mission Home	1 00	22 00	3 00					1 11			27 11	
Mt View	45	2 50					2 00				4 95	
Meadow View												
New River	1 00	28 26									29 26	400 00
Peak Valley	50	17 00					5 00			8 00	30 50	300 00
Pleasant Home	1 00	1 70									2 70	400 00
Pleasant Hill	1 00	4 35				1 00	2 00				8 35	300 00
Windfall	1 00	5 00					1 50				7 50	400 00
	22.80	361.08	18.61	2.80	9.40	21.18	101.20	5.99	13.20	8.00	544.10	7500.00

OBITUARIES.

Thomas Monroe Duncan was born March 26, 1840, and fell on sleep Nov. 23, 1901 Aged 61 years, 9 months and 2 days. Brother Duncan was ordained to full work of the Gospel ministry at about 43 years of age, and spent the following twenty years of his life in intense, earnest work for God; preaching during that time 2,275 sermons; baptizing 304 persons. He served three years and six mos. as missionary in Ashe and Alleghany Association, also two years in Ashe Association. He also aided in the organization of three Associations, viz: New River, Ashe and Alleghany, and Alleghany and Grayson. Organized or assisted in the organization of ten churches and forty Sunday schools. He was a faithful, consistent member of a Missionary Baptist church for forty-seven years; a Sunday school Superintendent; deacon; exhorter, and always faithful and earnest in his efforts for the salvation of souls. He was never physically strong s and for the last three years of his life he was a constant sufferer, but withal cheerful. His faith in God never faltered. The influence of his life and work in Ashe county will last forever. He leaves a widow and five children and a host of friends to mourn his loss May the great head of the church comfort them in this sore bereavement.

Bro. J. W. Goodman born Sept. 3, 1854 and died Oct. 21, 1904. Aged 50 years, 1 month and 18 days. Bro. Goodman professed faith in Christ when he was 18 years of age and joined Mt, Pleasant now Mission Home church and lived a consistent christian life until the father called him home, we commend the bereaved widow and fatherless children to God who careth for them,

Mrs. Birdie L. Blackburn, wife of J. W. Blackburn departed this life, aged 33 years, was a member of Landmark Baptist church for near 30 years Died in the full triumphs of the faith of the Son of God.—J. F. Fletcher, J. I. Glenn, Com.

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THE ASHE ASSOCIATION.

CONSTITUTION.

ART. 1. This body shall be called The Ashe Association.

2. The object of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the Gospel in our bounds and in all the world, and in this work the Association will co-operate with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

3. The members of this body shall be, all the ordained ministers of the Churches composing this Association, and Three delegates from each church, who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment and giving statistics of the membership and work of the church.

4. At each annual Session of the body there shall be elected a Moderator a Clerk and Treasurer in such a way as the Association may direct, the two last offices may be held by the same brother.

5. The Moderator shall preside at the meetings, preserve order, appoint committees and perform such duties as are usually required of presiding officers.

6. The Clerk shall keep a correct record of the proceedings of the body and superintend printing and distributing to the churches these proceedings

7. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent up to the association, pay them out as the association may direct, and make a report at each annual session.

8. The Association shall hold an annual meeting at such time and place as may be agreed upon.

9. At each annual meeting there shall be appointed an Executive Committee of three brethren, who shall look after the distributions in the bounds of this association and co-operate with the State Mission board of the Baptist State Convention making to the next session a report of the work done and of the general State Mission work.

10. At each annual session there shall be appointed committees to make reports during the session on the following subjects: State Missions. Foreign Missions, Home Missions, Ministerial Education, Baptist Orphanage, Periodicals. Temperance, Digest of church letters, Finance, Time, Place and Preacher for next Association.

11. Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

12. The Association will not receive nor retain in permanent fellowship any church that retains in its fellowship any member who is disorderly in doctrine or practice, or who makes, sells, or in any way deals in ardent spirits as a beverage.

13. This constitution may be amended by a vote of two thirds of the members present at any annual session.

THE ASHE ASSOCIATION.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPELS.

1. We believe in one only true and living God: and that there are three persons in the God head. the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost and these three are one.

2. We believe that the Bible the Old and New Testament, is the word of God, and the only rule of Faith and practice

3 We believe in the impotency of man and the sovereignty of God.

4. We believe that salvation is by grace, through Faith in our lord Jesus Christ.

5. We believe that baptism, and the Lord's Supper, are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ to be practiced only by believers in their scriptural order.

6. We believe that baptism is the immersion, of a believer, in water, by a qualifiied administrator. And that only those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and in doctrine, should take the Lords Supper.

7. We believe in the final perserverance of the Saints in grace to glory.

8. We believe in the re-surrection of the dead and a general Judgment.

9. We believe that the existence of the righteous and of the wicked will both be of eternal duration and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

RULES OF ORDER

1. Every session shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2 When the *M*oderator calls the house to order every member shall at once take his seat.
3. When a member wishes to speak he shall rise and address the *M*oderator and not proceed until he, has been recognized.
4. No member shall speak more than twice on any subject except by permission of the body.
5. No member shall leave the body during the Session, without permission of the Moderator.
6. It will be counted disorder for any member to stand up leave the house or hold private convensation while the Moderator is speaking.

7. ORDER OF BUSINESS.

a Inductory sermon.
b Roll call of Churches and enrollment of Delegates.
c Election of officers.
d Reception of new churches.
e Reading Constitution Abstract of Principles and Rules of order
f Appointment of committees.
g Report of Executive committee.
h Report of Missionary.
i Report of other committees.
j Report of Treasurer.
k Miscellaneous.

DIRECTORY OF THE ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

OFFICERS.

E. Tucker, Moderator, Grassy Creek, N. C.
M. M. Blevins. Clerk & Treas. Crumpler, " "

Member State Mission Board.

James Eller, Berlin, N. C.

Delegate Baptist State Convention.

J. T. Glenn, Hemlock, N. C.

Executive Committee.

L. J. Sturgill, Solitude, N. C.
H. A. Eller, Berlin, " "
E. L. Tucker, Jefferson, " "

Ordained Ministers.

Arnold, J. M.	Solitude, N C.
Barker, W. F.	Grassy Creek, " "
Blackburn, Soloman,	Crumpler, " "
Blevins, J. C.	Grassy Creek, " "
Campbell, N. A.	Thaxton, " "
Carter, I. M.	Grassy Creek, " "
Day, T. J.	Warrensville, " "
Glenn, W. H.	Thaxton, " "
Glenn, J. T.	Hemlock " "
Haire, P. H.	Fleetwood, " "
Hart, J. R.	Weasel " "
Henderson, G. J.	Rugby, Va.
Hurley, A.	Weasel, N. C.
Reece, J. F.	Alvarado, Va.
Shoaf, R. L.	Linney, N. C.
Stanley, J. F.	Hemlock, " "
Tucker, E.	Grassy Creek, " "

PROCEEDINGS.

Hemlock, N. C., Sept. 25th, 1906. 11, A. M.

1. The Ashe Baptist Association met in its 20th annual session with Big Laurel Church.

2. The introductory sermon was delivered by Rev. J.

F. Stanley, Text, Deut. 8th, Chapt. 11 verse. Beware that thou forget not the Lord thy God etc. followed by Rev. E. Tucker.

3. Adjourned one hour. Afternoon session.

4. The association was called to order by Rev. E. Tucker, the former Moderator at 1 o'clock P. M., prayer by Rev. P. H. Haire.

5. The Moderator appointed M. M. Blevins Clerk Protem.

6. Called the roll of churches where upon letters fron seventeen churches were handed in and read by H. A. Eller and J. R. Johnston.

LIST OF CHURCHES AND ENROLLMENT OF DELEGATES.

Apple Grove--Allen Miller, Ambrose Clark, A. Pruitt.
Baptist Home--E. H. Graybeal, A. G. Graybeal, Robert Lewis.
Beaver Creek--Letter, no delegates.
Bethel--C. W. Phillipps.
Big Flats--W. L. Church, W. G. Blackburn.
Big Laurel--Hugh Hagaman, Bishop Taylor, Joel Greer.
Bristol--W. A. Johnston.
Brushy Fork--
Buffalo--
Clifton--J. E. Elliott.
Corinth--
Friendship--Letter, no delegates.
Forest Home--H. A. Eller, R. L. Shoaf.
Healing Springs--M. M. Blevins, Clint L. Blevins.
Jefferson--
Landmark--W. F. Barker, Jacob Oliver.
Long Branch--
Meadow View--
Mission Home--Letter, no delegates.
Mountain View--J. J. S. Denney, J. A. Davis, Walter Davis.

New River--
Obids--
Oldfields--J. R. Johnston. W. F. Keys.
Peak Valley--John Robinson, W. H. Lyre
Pleasant Hill--A. L. Stamper, Elijah Hart being present without a letter, on their explenation of the condition of Pleasant Hill church were admitted to a seat in the body.
Pleasant Home--
Windfall--J. W. Tucker, J. A. Wagoner.
Zion Hill--

8. On motion Rev. R. L. Shoaf, the association proceeded to permanent organization by private ballot Rev. J. F. Eller and John Norris, acting as tellers. Who report for Moderator Rev. E. Tucker, for Clerk and Treas. M. M. Blevins.

9. The Moderator called for new churches, none answered.

10. Upon request the Moderator appointed Rev. A. J. Hart to preach at the Grove, who delivered a good sermon to an attentive audience. Text 1st John 3rd Chapter and 1st verse, Behold, what manner of love etc.

11. The Moderator invited visiting brethren from sister associations to seats with us and aid us in council where upon, Rev. J. F. Eller, John Norris, C. S. Farthing and W. Swift from Three Forks Association reported themslves and were cordially received by the Moderator in behalf of the association and welcomed to seats with us.

12. Read Constitution, Abstract of Principles and Rules of Order.

13. Moderator called for the standing committees, some were absent, and the Moderator appointed committees to fill the places of the absentees as follows:

Home Missions--L. J. Sturgill, R. L. Shoaf.
Foreign Missions--Ambrose Clark, Hugh Hagaman.
Ministers Relief--P. H. Hair.
Education--E. H. Graybeal, Alex Hagaman.

14. The Moderator appointed present committees as follows.

a Religious exercise J. W. Tucker, C. W. Phillipps, Ambrose Clark and delegates of Big Laurel church.

b Finance, J. R. Johnston, H. A. Eller.

c Resolutnios, R. L. Shoaf, W. F. Barker.

d Time, place and preacher for next association, A. Pruitt. H. Baker, C. W. Phillipps.

e To anominate an Executive Committee Hugh Hagaman.

15. On motion that H. Baker, from Healing Springs and Charlie Williams from Mission Home be admitted as delegates to seats in our body.

16. The committee on Religious exercese report preaching tomorrow at 11 A. M. by Rev. C. S. Farthing, at 2 P. M. by Rev. J. F. Eller.

J. W. Tucker, Chm. Com.

17. The Moderator appointed W. Swift to conduct devotional exercise tomorrow morning from 9 to 9.30 A. M.

18. Newel Stuart announced homes for the officers, delegates and visitors of the association.

19. On motion adjourned till tomorrow morning at 9 A. M. Prayer by W. F. Barker, Benediction by P. H. Haire.

Wednesday Morning Sept. 26, 9. A. M.

20. Met according to adjournment spent one half hour in devotional exercise conducted by W. Swift by reading from Acts 12 etc. Prayer by Rev. J. T. Glenn and J. F. Eller.

21. The house was called to order by the Moderator.

22. Read minute of yesterday corrected list of delegates and on motion of Rev. J. F. Stanley the same was adopted.

23. The Moderator, appointed C. L. Blevins and T. J. Day committee on obituaries.

24. Received and read letter from Long Branch.

25 The Moderator appointed Rev J. F. Stanley and N. A. Campbell committee on resolutions.

26. On motion Bro. J. R. Johnston, that the reports on State, Home and Foreign Mission, be read and discussed as a whole.

27. On motion, that the rules be suspended as to motion 26 and that the report of the Executive committee he read.

28. Report of the Executive committee-Dear Brethren your Executive committee regrets to Say, that the Mission work in our bounds has been attended with Serious disappointments and delays, during the year your committee planned at Old Fields church to continue the work on the same lines as last year, but soon after the meeting of the association. Bro. J. F. Fletcher decided to leave the work; which he did some time before the meeting of the convention So the work stopped before last convention year expired, and your committee was powerless to do anything till the action of the Mission Board was heard from which owing to some failure in the postal service was not till in February, and after hearing from their action it took till the first of April, to arrange and secure a man for the field. Elder R. L. Shoaf was secured and put to work beginning with the month of April and has been engaged ever since, who has put almost his whole time since then into the work, and we think has done much good service, but we sustain real loss from the disappointment and delay, which resulted from what we have before said, which no one could have regained in the rest of the year. He has tried to cover as nearly as possible the whole field, and has been to all but two churches, and has kept monthly appointments at four different points. He reports the work in a needy and discouraging condition. A number of our churches need aid and encouragement from the association, infact it occurs to your committee, that we have lost ground at a number of points and interest among all our churches. Many of our people have become negligent as to church going and Christian

effort, your committee is at a loss to know what to recommend for the ensuing year, we have been a beneficiary of the State Board so long, and have made so little, if any progress, that we seriously doubt the wisdom of longer asking aid from that source. We believe the association to be financially strong enough to carry on this work without, out side aid if you will, and it is the opinion of your committee, that we will never make real and substatial progress as a denomination until we rise in our full strength to do our duty, when we reach this point, then we may hope for success.

In order to accomplish any thing it is necessary for this association to raise at least two hundred and fifty dollars, and not only so, but it is necessary for us as members and individuals to take an active part in all our church and Mission work, the work needs our prayers and efforts as well as our means. Now prethren we have given you the situation as we see it, and it is with you, will we falter and turn back and keep a blessing from our selves and the rising generation, or will we measure up to our opportunities?

H. A. Eller,
L. J. Sturgill } COMMITTEE.

Discussed by H. A. Eller, J. F. Stanley the Moderator and others.

29. On motion M. M. Blevins was allowed to speak the third time on the report of the Executive committee.

30. On motion the report of the Executive committee was adopted.

31. 11 A. M. Rev. C. S. Farthing retired to the Grove and delivered an able sermon to a large attentive audience Text Hebs. 1st & 2nd chapt. 1 & 2 verse.

REPORT OF MISSIONARY.

As Missionary of the Ashe Association, I began the work April, the 1, 1906. Have preached 147 sermons at the different churches and out stations, visited all the churches save two, made 90 religious visits, witnessed 12 professions of religion, baptised 17, organized 1 Sunday School.

Collected for State Missions,		$56.00
"	Home "	3.25
"	Foreign "	4.90
"	Ministers Releif.	3.00
"	Orphanage,	23,15

R. L. Shoaf, Missionary.

Discussed by brethren R. L. Shoaf, J. F. Eller, A. L. Stamper, Moderator and others. On motion was adopted.

33. On motion, that we have a Missionary on the field in the bounds of the Ashe Association.

34. On motion the Moderator, Rev. E. Tucker was unanimously elected to take the field as Missionary for the ensuing year, whereupon the following pledges for Associational Missions were made by the churches and individuals.

Apple Grove,	$2.50
Big Flats,	2,50
Baptist Home,	8.00
Betnel,	5.00
Beaver Creek, by J. R. Johnston,	5 00
Big Laurel,	5.00
Bristol,	5.00
Buffalo, by P. H. Haire,	2 50
Forest Home,	8.00
Frienpship,	2 50
Healing Springs,	5 00
Landmark,	5.00
Old Fields.	10.00
Mission Home,	5.00
Mountain View,	8.00
Peak Valley,	2,50
Windfall,	3.00
Total pledges from Churches.	$79.50

Individual pledges for Associational Missions.

Ambrose Clark, paid	$6 00
H B. Howard.	5 00
E H, Graybeal	5,00
J. T. Glenn paid.	1.00
W. H Worth paid.	5 00
L. J Sturgill	5 00
Total Individual pledges	$27.00
Grand total of churches and individuals	$106.50

35. The Moderator extended the invitation to visiting brethren, Rev. N. H. Lewis of the Lebanon, A. J. Hart, of New River, W. I. McReynolds of Watauga, and Alx Hagaman, of the Three Forks associations reported themselves as visitors and were cordially seated in our body.

36. Bro. Owen Welch from Long Branch church, was recognized and seated with the body as a delegate.

37. On motion adjourned one hour for dinner. There being an abundance of good things to eat on the grounds everybody was served with the luxuries thereof, and the audience had a pleasant social hour which will be long remembered.

38. Wednesday afternoon session 1 P. M. met according to adjournment.

39. Received and read letter from Obids church with I. F. Faw delegate.

40. Report on state Missions there are over 100 consecrated men employed by the state Mission Board, who are getting their help from the Board and are working for us in our churches and destitutions and deserve the sympathy of every Baptist in this association, we recommend that every pastor present it and every member adhere and contribute to this grand work and pray for its success.

submitted

P. H. Haire
C. W. Phillipps } com.

41. Report Home Missions, this part of our work includes the Southern State Oaklahoma, Indian Territory and Cuba. We have in the field several hundred Missionaries, have built and repaired several church houses, in the past, have received by Baptism and by letter. Thousands of good men and

women into churches in the field, we have a great number of Sunday Schools in this field and even in Western North Carolina we have several religious Literary schools and colleges that are receiving aid from the Home Mission Board, we need a Baptist school in our own bounds. Therefore we should support and aid this work.

Respect Submitted.

L. J. Sturgill
R. L. Shoaf } com.

42. Report, Foreign Mission the Foreign Mission work is a great work. Christ gave the Commission to the church years ago. Go ye and I will be with thee unto the end. That command was binding upon the church then and it is so to day. The churches of Christ are responsible for this work. It is their God given work and no one has the right to stop between them and the field. Some of the churches are working up on this point and are feeling the weight of this work and are making wonderful progress. They have several Missionaries on the field and the reports from them are very encouraging, we your committee do insist that the pastors of this association get this great work upon their hearts more, and inform their churches that they too may get it upon their hearts also, and go foreward to carry out this great commission as it was given to them from the Master, that the light of the Gospel of the blessed Son of God may be scattered all over the world.

Respectfully Submitted.

Ambrose Clark
Hugh Hagaman } Committee

The three reports, state Mission. Home Misson, and Foreign Misson, were discussed as a whole by brethren P. H. Haire W. I. McReynolds, C. S. Farthing and others. On motion was adopted.

Thereupon the following Pledges were made by the churches and individuals

State Missions.

Big Flatts	$1.00
Bethel	2,50
Bristol	1.00
Healing Springs	1.00
Landmark	1.00
Obids	2.50
Total Pledged by churches for State Mis.	$9.00
By individuals for State Misson.	
H. B. Howard	5.00
Grand total for State Mission	$14.00

Pledges for Home Mission.

Bethel	1.00
Total for Home Mission	$1.00

Pledges for Foreign Mission

Bethel	1.00
Obids	5.00
Total for Foreign Missions	$6 00

43. 2 P. M. The body stood and sang while Rev. J. F. Eller, retired to the Grove who delivered a great Gospel sermon to a large, intelligent, attentative audience. Text, Matt. 5th, Chapter and 8th, verse. Blessed are the pure in heart etc.

44. Report of Committee to anominate an Executive Committee. We your Committee anominate for Executive Committee, L. J. Sturgill, H. A. Eller and E. L. Tucker.

Hugh Hagaman,
A L Stamper,
Jacob Oliver
} Com

On motion, adopted.

45. Report on Education. Our Educational interest is growing all over our country and especially in the South. At this present time we feel the great awakening in Ashe County, and we as Baptist ought to keep pace with this great Educational move and not let this interest lag, but contend for larger and better schools, and better qualified teachers, and a higher Educated Ministry that we may rise with this great Educational tide.

We do advise our young people to take advantage of these golden opportunities for a higher Education, and keep abreast of the times. As Baptist we recommend Wake Forest College as a school worthy of our patronage and support

Respect. Submitted,

E. H Graybeal
Alex Graybeal
} Committee.

Discussed by brethren Alex Hagaman, C. S. Farthing, N. H. Davis. On motion, H. A. Eller, adopted.

46 Report on Temperance.. In view of the startling fact, Intemperance is annually sending thousands of precious souls to eternal ruin, your committee do recommend that we as Baptist of the Ashe Association and of the State and nation do all in our power to stop this great evil.

Respect. Submitted.

W F. Barker Com.

Discussed by Rev. W. F. Barker, John Norris, J. F. Stanley and the Moderator. On motion adopted.

47· Report on Sunday School and colpartage Your committe regrets that our churches do not all engage in Sunday School work, we hope that our churches will engage in this work and train our children for usefulness, we see and feel the need of the Colpartage work in our bounds. But as we are without means to carry out this work, we can carry on this work by encouraging one or more of our brethren to engage in this work by the use of their own capitol, while we give them patrouage and help.

Submitted.

H. A. Eller com.

Discussed by H. A. Eller the Moderatsr and others, and motion adopted.

48. On motion, that the Executive committee use its utmost effo.ts to get a Colporter on the field in the bounds of the Ashe Association, and that the Colporter, if secured act as Sunday School Missionary.

49. On motion that the report on Colportage be made a specialty for 10 A. M. tomorrow.

50, Report of committee on religious Exercise, your committee report preaching at the Grove tomorrow at 11 A. M. by Rev. W. I. McKeynolds assistant W. Swift at 2 P, M. by John Davis Ambrose Clark, For com.

50. On motion R. L. Shoaf adjourned to meet tomorrow morning 8.30 A. M. spent one half hour in devotional exercise to be conducted by W. F. Barker, prayer by C. S. Farthing Benediction by the Moderator. Thursday morning session Sept. 27 8.30 A. M.

51. Met according to adjournment spent one half hour in devotion all exercise conducted by Rev. W. F. Barker by reading 1st Psalm, etc Prayer by W. Swift.

52. The house was called to order by the Moderator.

53. Read and adopted minute of yesterday.

54. On motion the Clerk was appointed to write report on periodicals.

55. The time arrived for the report on Orphanage, was read The Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville has been in operation about twenty years and has been doing a great work for the orphan children of the State, something near 400 have gone out from it to make homes for themselves in the world, and there is that number there now to be cared for, some from our own county, these costing somebody five dollars a month each. Are we allowing some other association to support these children? If so let us work up to our duty and urge our people to make more liberal contributions to the Orphanage. and thus come nearer our duty to it.

J. R. Johnston, Com.

On motion the report was adopted.

56. Upon the adoption of the report on orphanage a collection was taken up for the orphanage. Charity and children which resulted in the collection of $18,00 with 14 subscribers to Charity and Children, and the following Pledges from the churches and individuals for orphange.

Apple Grove	$5.00
Big Flatts	1.00
Baptist Home	2.00
Bethel	2.50
Big Laurel	3.00
Bristol	1.00
Healing Springs	2.00
Landmark	1.00
Obids	2.50
Old Fields	5.00
Windfall	2.00
Total pledges from churches for Orphanage	$27.00
Pledges from individuals for Orphanage	
R. L. Shoaf	$1.00
W. G. Blackburn	1.00
W, L. Church	1.00
F. C. Church	1.00
W. F. Keys	1.00
Total individual pledges for Orphanage	$5,00
Grand total pledges for Orphanage	$32.00

57. 11 A. M. On motion adjourned for preaching at the Grove and till 1 P. M.

58 Rev. W. I. McKeynold delivered an able interesting sermon to a large attentive audience Text Luke 1st Chapt, 78 verse through the mercy of our God etc. followed by the Moderator.

59. Thursday evening sessions 1 P. M. met according to adjournment.

60. The house was called to order by the Moderator.

61. Report on Ministers Relief. A very worthy object presents its self to every Baptist in the State, our aged Ministers, widows and their children find comfort in the liberality of our Baptist people through the Board, The Board is expending over one hundred dollars in our association and if we appreciate the labor done by our faithful Ministers, let us be liberal to contribute to this cause.

Respect. Submitted,
P. H. Haire, Com,

62. Report on periodicals, What an individual sees, feels and realizes is the abundance of his wisdom. Next to the reading and teaching of the Bible, thsre is nothing better and more attainable to true religion, than the reading of good religious literature. Therefore we know nothing more and can do nothing better than recommend the Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children and the Foreign Mission Journal to our people, we do earnestly recommend that the head of every Baptist family in the Ashe Association immediately become a subscriber to one or all three of these papers.

Recpectfully Submitted,
M. M. Blevins. Com.

63. Report on Obituaries. Your committee recommends that any church having a deceased brother or sister, that desire their obituary to appear in the minutes of the Ashe Association, that it prepare a brief obituary of them and hand it to the Clerk for publication.

Respectfully Submitted.
C. L. Blevins, }
T. J. Day, } Committee

64 Report of Committee Place, Time and Preacher for next association. Your committee recommends Apple Grove church the place, Tuesday after second Sunday in Oct. 1907, 11, A. M. the time and Rev. J. F. Stanley to preach the Introductory sermon, P. H Haire his Alternate for our next Association.

Respt. Submitted,
A. Pruitt, }
H Baker. } Committee.
C W. Phillipps }

On motion adopted.

65. Report on Resolutions.

1st. Resolved. That this body tender its thanks to the brethren and sisters of Big Laurel church and the friends of this community, for their kind hospitality toward us during the sitting of this association.

2nd. Resolved. That we tender our thanks to Rev. Elihu Tucker, for his proficiency as Moderator of this association.

3rd. Resolved. That we tender thanks to the corresponding brethren, for their presence and efficiency while among us.

4th. Resolved. That we under God, strive to carry out all pledges made by us. during the sitting of this body.

Respt. Submitted.
J. F. Stanley, }
N. A. Campbell, } Committee.

Adopted.

66. 2 P. M. Rev. John Norris preached an excellent sermon at the Grove, Text. Matt. 6th. chapter 19th and 20 verses.

67. On motion, that the Ashe Association withdraw its fellowship from Brushy Fork church for practicing the doctrine of heresy. Unanimously carried.

68. On motion that five dollars contributed by W. H. Worth be applied to Associational Missions.

69. On motion that the Clerk be allowed five dollars for his services and spend the remainder for printing and distributing Minutes to the churches.

70. Rev. J. T. Glenn volunteered to go as a delegate to the Baptist State Convention, Thereupon certain of the brethren contributed for his expenses to the Convention $4.25.

71. Report of Finance Committee. Your committee on finance submit the following report:

Received for minute fund		$19.60
" "	Orphange	15.40
" "	Ministers Relief	4.00
" "	State Missions	25.90
" "	Home Missions	1.40
" "	Foreign Missions	9 95
	Total	$76.25

H. A. Eller }
J. R. Johnston } Com.

On motion adopted.

72. Report of Treasurer.

Received of Finance Committee for Minute fund,		$19.60
" for	Orphanage,	15.40
" "	Ministers Relief,	4.00
" "	State Missions,	25.90
" "	Home Missions,	1.40
" "	Foreign Missions,	9.95
Total Recieved from Finance Committee,		$76,25
Received collection for Orphanage from Association,		$18.00
W. H. Worth Associational Missions,		5.00
Ambrose Clark " "		6.00
J. T. Glenn " "		1.00
Contribution for deligate to State Convention.		4.25
Total Received at Association,		$110,50
Received from churches that did not report to the Association, but since the Association adjourned for Minute fund.		
Buffalo,		.75
Corinth,		1.00
Meadow View,		.56
New River,		1.00
Pleasant Home,		1.00
Zion Hill,		.40
Grand total received,		$115.21

Disbursements of Treasurer,

Paid for printing and distributing Minutes.	$19.31
" " Orphanage,	33.40
" " Ministers Relief,	4.00
" " State Missions,	25.90
" " Home "	1.40
" " Foreign "	9.95
" " Associational Missions,	12.00
" Hugh Hagaman for J. T. Glenn, delegate to State Convention,	4.25
Retained fee for services as Clerk,	5.00
Total disbursements,	$115.21

Respectfully Submitted,
M. M. Blevins, Clerk and Treas.

73. The Moderator Submitted the following list of standing committees:

State Missions,	H. A. Eller.
Home Missions	E. H. Graybeal.
Foreign Missions	R. L. Shoaf.
Orphanage	Clint L. Blevins.
Sunday School and Colportage	P. H. Haire.
Ministers Relief	W. F. Barker.
Education	J. R. Johnston.
Temperance	E. L. Tucker.

If any of the above named committee cannot attend the association, please write and mail your report to the Clerk two weeks prior to the association.

74. The Moderator called for volunteers as correspondents to visit sister associations, when the following named brethren tendered their services as follows:

To Three Forks Association—R. L. Shoaf, Hugh Hagaman, J. T. Glenn, L. J. Sturgill, E. H. Graybeal, J. F. Stanley, P. H. Haire, W. H. Tyre, J. M. Arnold.

To Alleghany and Grayson Association:—W. F. Barker, H. Baker, M. M. Blevins.

To New River Association:—Elihu Tucker.

To Watauga Association:—J. F. Stanley.

To Stoney Fork Association:—J. R. Johnston, W. F. Keys.

75. On motion R. L. Shoaf adjourned prayer by J. F. Stanley, song How firm a foundation, Benediction by J. F. Eller.

Rev. E. Tucker Moderator
M. M. Blevins Clerk & Treas.

Thus closed the 20th annual session of the Ashe Baptist Association, we trust much good was accomplished for the cause of Christ, the Charitable and Mission work that we support. The demands are great, we ought to renew our efforts and do more the next year than we have ever done in the past.

Clerk.

The minutes are a little late from the fact, six churches sent in reports some time after the association adjourned.

Clerk.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

	Officers & Teachers	Students,	Average attend'.	C'h M'b'rs in S.S.	Expenses.
Beaver Creek,	2	50	35		$
Bethel,	4	41			1.75
Big Flatts,	6	102			2.14
Friendship,	1	59	32		1.25
Obids,	6	62			2.04
Old Fields,					
Peak Valley,	7	67		8	2,80
Totals.	26	381	67	8	$9.98

OFFICIAL CHURCH TABLE.

Churches.	Pastors.	Post Office.	Clerk	Post office	*Delegates present at Association.*
Apple Grove,	R. L. Shoaf,	Warrensville N. C.	A Pruitt,	Kipling, Va.,	*A. Miller, A. Clark, A. Pruitt,*
Baptist Home	W. H. Mickael,	Tracy, "	L. J. Sturgill,	Solitude, N. C	*E H Graybeal R Lewis A G Graybeal*
Beaver Creek,	Asa Brown,	Riverside, "	J. L. Goodman,	Beaver Creek' "	
Bethel,	Asa Brown,	" "	C. W. Phillipps,	Beaver Creek, "	*C. W. Phillipps.*
Big Flatts	P. H. Haire,	Fleetwood, "	W. G. Blackburn,	Fleetwood, "	*W L Church W G Blackburn.*
Big Laurel	W. H. Mickael	Tracy, "	Newel Stuart,	Hemlock, "	*H Hagaman, B Taylor, J Greer*
Bristol	P. H. Haire,	Fleetwood. "	W. A. Johnson,	Jefferson, "	*W A Johnson.*
Buffalo	P. H. Haire,	" "	H. A. Campbell,	Beaver Creek, "	
Clifton	J. T. Glenn,	Hemlock, "	J. G. Miller.	Clifton, "	*J E Elliott*
Corinth	G. J. Henderson,	Rugby, Va.	J. F. Plummer,	Volney, Va,	
Friendship	P. H. Haire.	Fleetwood, N. C.	R. M. Burkett,	Jefferson, N C	
Forest Home	E. Tucker,	Grassy Creek, "	H. A. Eller,	Berlin, "	*H A Eller, R L Shoaf*
Healing Springs	E. Tucker	" " "	I N, Hudler,	Crumpler, "	*M M Blevins C L Blevins H Baker*
Jefferson			S. E. Graybeal,	Jefferson, "	
Landmark	E. Tucker,	Grassy Creek. "	L M. Brinegar,	Grassy Creek "	*W F Barker J Oliver*
Long Branch	R. L, Shoaf.	Warrensville, "	James Welch,	Edison "	*Owen Welch*
Meadow View	J. C Blevins,	Grassy Creek, "	J. H. Sheets.	Grassy Creek "	
Mission Home	J. T. Glenn,	Hemlock, "	Wm. Howell,	Fleetwood, "	*C Williams*
Mountain View	W. H. Glenn	Thaxton. "	John A. Davis,	Grayson, "	*J J S Denney J A Davis W Davis*
New River	G. J. Henderson,	Rugby, Va.	M. W. Blevins,	Weaversford, "	
Obids	W. F. Carlton,	Wilkesboro, N. C.	W. H. Hartzog,	Obids, "	*I F Faw*
Old Fields	Wm. M. Lee,	Summit, "	H. M. Blackburn,	Idlewild, "	*J R Johnston W F Keys*
Peak Valley	W. H. Mickael.	Tracy. "	John Robinson,	Dyson, "	*J Robertson W H Tyre*
Pleasant Hill			A. L. Stamper,	Park, Va.	*A L Stamper E Hart*
Pleasant Home	W. A. J. Fowlkes,	Scottville, "	W. R. Lovelace.	Grassy Creek "	
Windfall	G. J. Henderson,	Rugby' Va.	E, L. Tucker,	Jefferson, "	*J W Tucker J A Wagoner*
Zion Hill	T. J. Day,	Warrensville. N. C	W. H. Sheets.	Wagoner, "	

Financial Church Table.

Churches.	P'd Pastors	P'd Asso'c Vis'ns.	P'd S. Missions	P'd H. Missions	P'd F. Missions	P'd Ministers R.	P'd Orphanage	P'd Church H. Repairs	P'd Miscellaneous	P'd Minute fund	Total	Value of Church Property
	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
x Apple Grove	4.79		3.50				5.00	15 00		1.50	29.79	500,
a Baptist Home	32.00		15.00				2.50		2.00	.70	52,20	400,
1 Beaver Creek,	20.50		2.50		1.75		5.57			.90	31.22	500,
Bethel,							2.50			1.00	3.50	500,
Big Flatts	20.30		1.50		1.00		1.85			.50	25.15	
Big Laurel	26.25		3.00		2.50		4.50	32,00		1,25	69.50	450,
Bristol	10.00		1.40		1.47		1.18			.75	14.80	150,
Buffalo	10.00		2.00				2.70			.75	15,45	400,
Clifton	6.10						1.60	22,00		.50	30.20	400,
Corinth										1,00	1.00	500,
Friendship	14.19		2.15		2.51		1.28		6.72	.90	28.75	
Forest Home	24.75		10.00		2.80		5.10			1.75	44.40	400,
Healing Springs	18.70	2.50	2.50				3.60			1,50	28,80	500,
Jefferson										.50	,50	500,
2 Landmark	36.75					2.50	2.84	15.00		2,00	59,09	300,
Long Branch	8.12		3.00	.50	.50	.20	1.50			.50	14,32	
Meadow View										.56	,56	200,
Mission Home	42.00		1.75				2.50	204.25		1,00	251,50	500,
Mountain View	4.00		2.00				1.15			.40	7,55	
New River										1,00	1,00	400,
Obids	10.70		2.50		5.00		1.51			.90	20,61	400,
Old Fields	28.25		1.50	1.00		1.50	2.00		6,00	1,00	41,25	400,
Peak Valley	18.92			.40	.70		.66		11.80	,55	33,03	300,
Pleasant Hill										.50	,50	300,
Pleasant Home	21.20						2.30			1,00	24,50	400,
Windfall	2.10		1.00					400,00		1,00	404,10	400,
Zion Hill										.40	,40	
Totals.	$359.52	$2.50	$55 30	$1 90	$18 23	$4 20	$52 84	$688 25	$26 52	$24 21	$1233 67	$91 00

x. Ambrose Clark paid $5.00 to Orphanage.
1. R H. Goodman paid $2 00 to Orphanage
2 L. A. Porter paid $25.00 to pastor.

a. Individuals paid 10,00 to State Missions.
1. Sarah Gravy paid $1 00 to Orphanage.

Statistical Church Table.

Churches.	Time Preach'g S.	By Baptism.	By Letter.	By Ap'li. & Rest.	By Letter.	By Exclusion.	By Deceased	Male.	Female.	Total.	Gain over last Yr.	Loss from last Yr.
Apple Grove	2	8		1			1	23	59	82	8	
Baptist Home	3	4	3					21	37	58	7	
Beaver Creek,	2							26	27	53		
Bethel,	2	8		2	2	1	1	42	47	89	6	
Big Flatts	2	7	6					11	22	33	13	
Big Laurel	4	14	1			1		30	38	68	14	
Bristol	3				1			13	30	43		1
Buffalo	4				2		1	16	42	58		3
Clifton	2							20	20	40		
Corinth	2							35	61	96		
Friendship	3	12		1			2	31	62	93	11	
Forest Home	2		1		1			18	20	38		
Healing Springs	1	3	2		1		3	34	58	92	1	
Jefferson	1							21	14	35		
Landmark	4	1			3	3	2	43	78	121		7
Long Branch	4	3					2	13	13	26	1	
Meadow View	1							10	13	23		
Mission Home	1		4	1	4			21	39	60	1	
Mountain View	2	1				19		4	9	13		18
New River	3							35	63	98		
Obids	4		1			2		12	26	38		1
Old Fields	4	14			2		1	32	46	78	11	
Peak Valley	4	3		2	4		1	14	32	46		1
Pleasant Hill	4							13	20	33		
Pleasant Home	4	3	2	2	1			29	46	75	6	
Windfall	3							13	17	30		
Zion Hill	1							2	6	8		
Total.		81	20	9	21	26	14	582	945	1527	79	31

OBITUARIES.

Bro. Alfred Barker was borne Feb. 26th 1818, died Aug 25th 1906 aged 88 years 5 months and 25 days He was a member of Landmark Baptist church for 50 years and was a Staunch Baptist a faithful christain and a good citizen. He leaves an aged christain widow and a host of relatives and friends to mourn his loss

J. F. Fletcher.

Bro John Welch was borne April 15th 1881, died Oct. 15th 1905 aged 24 years and 6 months. He professed a hope in Christ Sept. 1895, and attacted himself to the Missionary Baptist church at Longbranch, and was an active consistant member thereof till the of day his death he taken great interest in divine service, church and Sunday school work prayer meeting etc. the church has lost a very efficient and useful member the family a dutiful and loving, son and brother the community a goood neighbor and citizen

A. Friend.

Bro. Willie H. Blevins was borne July 4th 1865 died December the 6th 1905 aged 40 years 5 months and 2 days. His wife Minnie V. (Nei. Phipps) was borne Sept. 11th 1870 died Oct. 27th 1905 aged 35 years 1 month and 16 days Their son Chester E Blevins was borne Dec. 23rd 1889 died Oct 22nd 1905 aged 15 years 9 months 29 days Their daughter Berthie E. Blevins was borne Oct. 28th 1891 died Oct. 17th 1905 aged 13 years 11 months 19 days This brotner W. H. and two sisters were members of Healing Springs Baptist church. They were Strong Baptist and lived consecrated consistant christain lives. They all died of typhoid fever and leaves six orphan children. Three of them upon special request of the deceased brother are in the Baptist Orphanage, at Thomasville, N. C.

Clerk,

Greensboro, N.C.

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CONSTITUTION

Art. 1. This body shall be called the Ashe Association.

2. The object of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the gospel in our bounds and in all the world, and in this work the Association will co-operate with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

3. The members of this body shall be, all the ordained ministers of the churches of this Association, and Three delegates from each church, who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment and giving statistics of the membership and work of the church.

4. At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a Moderator a Clerk and Treasurer in such a way as the Association may direct, the two last offices may be held by the same Brother.

5. The Moderator shall preside at the meeting, preserve order, appoint committees and perform such duties as are usually required of presiding officers.

6. The Clerk shall keep a correct record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend printing and distributing to the churches these proceedings.

7. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent up to the Association, pay them out as the Association may direct, and make a report at each annual session.

8. The Association shall hold an annual meeting at such time and place as may be agreed upon.

9. At each annual meeting there shall be appointed an Executive Committee of three brethren, who shall look after the destitutions in the bounds of this Association, and co-operate with the State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention making making to the next session a report of the work done, and of the general State Mission work.

10. At each annual session there shall be appointed committees to make reports during the session on the following subjects: State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Ministerial Education, Baptist Orphanage, Periodicals, Temperance, Digest of Church Letters, Finance, Time, Place and Preacher for next Association.

11. Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

12. The Association will not receive nor retain in permanent fellowship any church that retains in its fellowship any member who is disorderly in doctrine or practice, or who makes, sells, or in any way deals in ardent spirits as a beverage.

13. This Constitution may be amended by a vote of two thirds of the members present at any annual session.

Abstract of Principals

1. We believe in one only true and living God: and that there are three persons in the God head, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost and these three are one.

2. We believe that the Bible the Old and New Testament, is the word of God, and the only rule of Faith and practice.
3. We believe in the impotency of man and the sovereignty of God.
4. We believe that salvation is by grace, through Faith in our Lord J us Christ.
5. We believe that baptism, and the Lord's Supper, are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ to be practiced only by believers in their scriptural order.
6. We believe that baptism is the immersion, of a believer, in water, by a qualified administrator. And that only those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and in doctrine, should take the Lord's Supper.
7. We believe in the final perseverance of the Saints in grace to glory.
8. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment.
9. We believe that the existence of the righteous and of the wicked will both be of eternal duration and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

Rules of Order

1. Every session shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2. When the Moderator calls the house to order every member shall at once take his seat.
3. When a member wishes to speak he shall rise and address the Moderator and not proceed until he has been recognized.
4. No member shall speak more than twice on any subject except by permission of the body.
5. No member shall leave the body during the Session, without permission of the Moderator.
6. It will be counted disorder for any member to stand up leave the house or hold private conversation while the Moderator is speaking.

Order of Business

a Introductory sermon.
b Roll call of Churches and enrollment of Delegates.
c Election of officers.
d Reception of new churches.
e Reading Constitution, Abstract of Principles and Rules of Order.
f Appointment of Committees.
g Report of Executive Committee.
h Report of Missionary.
i Report of standing committees.
j Report of other committees.
k Report of Treasurer.
l Miscellaneous.

Directory of the Ashe Baptist Association.

OFFICERS.

Rev. Elihu Tucker, Moderator, Grassy Creek, N. C.
M. M. Blevins, Clerk and Treasurer. Crumpler, "

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

L. J. Sturgill, - - - Solitude, N. C.
H. A. Eller, - - - Berlin, "
M. M. Blevins, - - - Crumpler, "

MEMBER STATE MISSION BOARD.

James Eller, - - - Berlin, N. C.

DELEGATE TO BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

Rev. P. H. Haire, - - Fleetwood, N. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Arnold, J. M. - - - Solitude, N. C.
Barker, W. F. - - - Grassy Creek, "
Blackburn, Solomon - - - Crumpler, "
Blevins, J. C. - - - Grassy Creek, "
Campbell, N. A. - - - Thaxton, "
Carter, I. M. - - - Grassy Creek, "
Day, T. J. - - - Warrensville, "
Eldreth, Jerome - - - - Dyson, "
Glenn, W. H. - - - - Thaxton, "
Glenn, J. T. - - - - Hemlock, "
Haire, P. H. - - - Fleetwood, "
Hurley, Andy - - - Weasel, "
Neaves, J. M. - - - Crumpler, "
Reece, J. F. - - - Alvarado, Va.
Shoaf, R. L. - - - - Linney, N. C.
Stanley, J. F. - - - Hemlock, "
Trivett, J. S. - - - Fleetwood, "
Tucker, Elihu - - Grassy Creek, "
Woodruff, W. A. - - - Oval, "

Proceedings

Weasel, Ashe County, N. C.
Tuesday, October 15, 1907, 11 A. M.

1. The Ashe Baptist Association met in its Twenty-First annual session with Apple Grove Baptist church.

2. The introductory sermon was delivered by Rev. P. H. Haire, text, Isaiah 40th chapter and 31st verse. "But they that wait upon the Lord shall have their strength renewed." Concluded by Rev. E. Tucker, the Moderator.

3. Adjourned one hour.

Tuesday Evening Session, October 15, 2 P. M.

4 Met pursuant to adjournment. The house was called to order; singing and prayer by Moderator.

5. Called the roll of churches, thereupon twenty-three letters from the different churches were handed in and read by the Clerk, Rev. J. F. Fletcher assisting.

6. Enrolled list of Delegates that were present as follows:

Apple Grove—A. Pruitt, Enoch Hart, W. P. Lewis.
Baptist Home—Rev. J. M. Arnold, E. M. Johnson.
Beaver Creek—Calvin Tomlinson.
Bethel—C. W. Phillips, Thomas Brown.
Big Flats—Rev. P. H. Haire, F. C. Church.
Big Laurel—Revs. W. H., J. T. Glenn and Newell Stuart.
Bristol—Rev. T. J. Day.
Buffalo—E. D. Harless.
Clifton—J. G. Miller, J. A. Parsons, J. E. Elliott.
Forest Home—Revs. I. M. Carter, R. L. Shoaf, and M. F. Jones.
Friendship—R. M. Burkett.
Healing Springs—Rev. J. M. Neaves, M. M. Blevins, H. Baker.
Jefferson—S. A. Campbell, J. W. Badger.
Landmark—Rev. W. F. Barker, J. C. Denny, J. R. Blackburn, J. Brinegar.
Long Branch—Owen Welch.
Mission Home—T. J. Church.
Mountain View—Walter Davis.
New River—No letter—Delegates, R. C. Spence, Frank Phipps.
Obids--H. M. Brown, G. W. Brown, I. F. Faw.
Old Fields--No letter— Delegate Rev. W. A. Woodruff.
Peak Valley--W. H. Tyree.
Pleasant Hill--A. L. Stamper, L. A. Wyatt, Nelson Wyatt.
Pleasant Home--W. R. Lovelace, R. B. Hudler.
Wind Fall -Rev. Elihu Tucker, Rev. A. Hurley, J. W. Tucker, J. A. Wagoner.
Zion Hill--W. H. Sheets.

7. The Moderator appointed Rev. J. M. Arnold to preach at the stand who delivered a good sermon from text: John 7th chapter and 8th verse, "Go ye up unto this feast," etc.

8. On motion, the Association proceeded to permanent organization for the ensuing year by electing officers by private ballot, Rev. John Norris and Rev. J. F. Fletcher being appointed by the Moderator to act as Tellers, who report for Moderator Rev. Elihu Tucker, for Clerk and Treasurer M. M. Blevins.

9. The Moderator called for newly constituted churches, whereupon Liberty Hill Baptist church through her Delegates H. L. Goodman and J. H. Wagoner handed in her letter asking to be admitted into the Association, and on motion was received with gladness into the body. Also Brushy Fork Baptist church through her delegates J. M. Rominger and Henry Parsons came with a letter asking to be restored into the fellowship of the Association and on motion was received with joy into the full fellowship of the body. The entire body extended the hand of fellowship and welcome to both churches.

10. The Moderator invited correspondents and visiting brethren to seat with the body, whereupon Revs. A. J. Hart J. R. Brown from the New River; John Norris from Three Forks; J. F. Fletcher from the Alleghany and Grayson, Associations came forward and accepted seats and were extended right hand of welcome by Moderator in behalf of the body.

11. Read Constitution, Articles of Faith and Rules of Order.

12. The Moderator appointed the following committees to fill the vacancies of standing commmittees to wit:

Home Missions—Rev. J. T. Glenn.

Education—J. H. Wagoner, Rev. J. M. Neaves.

Temperance—L. J. Sturgill.

13. Present committees:

Religious Exercise—Pastor and Delegates of Apple Grove church, R. C. Spence, W. H. Tyre.

Finance—L. J. Sturgill, R. B. Hudler, G. W. Brown, C. W. Phillips.

Resolutions—Revs. J. T. Glenn, J. M. Neaves.

Time, Place and Preacher for next Association—R. H. Goodman, T. J. Church, J. C. Denny, H. A. Eller, W. R. Lovelace.

To nominate an Executive Committee—H. Baker, M. F. Jones, J. G. Miller.

Obituaries—J. M. Arnold, R. C. Spence.

14. Committee on Religious Exercise—Report preaching to-morrow at 11 by Rev. John Norris, I. M. Carter to conclude. 2 P. M., Rev. J. F. Fletcher, J. R. Brown to conclude

15. The Moderator appointed Rev. T. J. Day to conduct devotional exercise to-morrow morning from 9 to 9:30 A. M.

16. Sidney Tucker read over list of homes for the officers Delegates and visitors of the Association.

17. On motion adjourned till to-morrow morning at 9 A. M. Prayer by W. F. Barker, benediction by P. H. Haire.

Wednesday Morning Session, October 16th, 9 A. M.

18. The Association met according to adjournment spent one half hour in devotional exercise conducted by Rev. T. J. Day, reading the 90th Psalm, singing and prayer.

19. The Association was called to order by the Moderator.

20. Read minutes of yesterday, enrolled additional list of Delegates which will appear in the official church table. On motion adopted.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

21. To the Ashe Association:

Dear Brethren your Executive Committee has but little to report that is not already known to the Association. As it is known that the Association elected its own Missionary at its last session, and provided means in part for his support. Your committee reported this action to the State Board of Missions, and asked for a supplement to his salary, but the Board declined to aid this field in this way but offered to aid this field in helping to support a man of its choosing to be stationed at Jefferson, and taking the Pastoral care of that church and devoting the balance of his time to the entire field as Missionary, or taking Pastoral care of other churches and looking to the churches aided for part of his support, or to the Association if strictly missionary work be done. Elder Elihu Tucker has been faithful to the work assigned him, in so far as his environment and condition would permit, and so far as your committee is informed. He has covered a large part, if not the entire field and has held meetings of interest with a number of our churches and some ingathering of membership and encouraged state exists at different places. He has organized one new church which promises to become strong and self-supporting, besides other service rendered, and he has had no financial aid except what the churches and individuals have given. Your committee will not undertake to advise or recommend any different method to continue the work upon, but expresses the hope that the Association will continue this work with more vigor and force than heretofore. Your committee would be glad to see a strong man stationed by the Board and individual churches at Jefferson, and some acceptable man giving his whole time to the entire field, and we trust that the Association will make provisions for this latter work at this session.

Submitted
H. A. Eller,
L. J. Sturgill. } Ex. Com.

On motion after being discussed by H. A. Eller, L. J. Sturgill, J. F. Fletcher and others was adopted.

22. 11 A. M. The time for preaching having arrived Rev. John Norris retired to the stand and delivered an excellent sermon to a large attentive audience, text: St. John 5th chap. 25th to 28th verses, "Hear the voice" etc. Concluded by Rev. I. W. Carter. Brother Norris reports a great manifestation of the spirit at the closing of this service.

23. REPORT OF MISSIONARY.

Being elected by the Ashe Association at its last meeting to take the field as Missionary, the former Missionary claiming the field till December. I began the work about the middle of November, as I was directed to visit the churches and hold revival meetings with the Pastors. I have visited all of the churches, except four and have assisted the Pastors in holding revivals in which there were fifty-five conversions. Thirty-eight accessions to the churches, baptized and assisted in baptizing thirty-one, preached a great many sermons, visited a great many homes. Organized one new church at Nathan's Creek, N. C., by the name of Liberty Hill Baptist church. I find all the churches in fairly good condition with a very little exception. I find that four of our churches have for their Pastor a Brother who is not connected with any church, and ask whether it is consistent for our churches to have a Pastor of that kind. Received on pledges from the different churches and individuals the following amounts to wit:

Churches that Pledged,				Churches that Did Not Pledge	
Baptist Home	$8 00	Forest Home	$10 20		
Beaver Creek	5 50	Friendship	4.00		
Bethel	8.00	Healing Springs	5.00		
Big Flats	5.21	Landmark	5.00	Obids	$11 95
Big Laurel	5.00	Mission Home	8.00	New River	10.00
Buflalo	3.17	Peak Valley	1.00		
Clifton	1.55	Wind Fall	3.00		
	Total Church Pledges		$72.63	Total not Pledged	$21.95
Total Received from all the churches					$94 58

Individuals that Pledged.		Not Pledged	
Ambrose Clark	$5.00	John Pierce	$1.00
L. J. Sturgill	5.00	Fields Hash	1.00
E. H. Graybeal	5.00		
W. H. Worth	5.00		
J. T. Glenn	1 00		
H. R. Howard not pd	5.00	Total	$2.00
Total	$22.00		

Grand total received from churches and individuals $118.58

Elihu Tucker, Missionary.

24. On motion that the report be received excepting the query and that Brother Tucker be retained as Missionary in the bounds of the Ashe Association for the ensuing year. Adopted thereupon the following pledges were made for his support by the churches and individuals to wit:

Church Pledges

Apple Grove	$5.00	Buffalo	5.00	Long Branch	2.00
Baptist Home	8.00	Forest Home	5 00	Mission Home	10.00
Beaver Creek	5.00	Friendship	3.00	New River	10.00
Bethel	10 00	Healing Springs	10.00	Old Fields	5.00
Big Flats	2.50	Jefferson	5 00	Peak Valley	2.00
Big Laurel	10.00	Landmark	10.00	Pleasant Hill	2.50
Clifton	5.00	Liberty Hill	10.00	Zion Hill	2.00
		Total church pledges			$137.00

Individual Pledges

J. W Tucker	$1	T. J. Church	1	F, C Church	1
J. A Wagoner paid	1	J. T. Glenn	1	M. F Jones	1
A. Hurley	1	H. A. Eller	1	E. C. Eller	1
E, M. Johnson	5	E. F. Foster	1	Hugh Hagaman paid	1
Henderson Hart	.50	J. R. Brinegar	1	Newall Stuart paid	1
J. M. Arnold	5	H Baker	1	Alley Miller	1
P. H. Haire	1	M. M. Blevins	1	I. F. aw paid	1
R. B. Hudler	1	J. M. Neaves	1	Mrs. I F. Faw paid	50
W. F. Barker	1	J. C. Denny	1	C. W. Phillips paid	1
T. J. Day	2	J. R. Blackburn	1	Total $39	

Total pledges for support of Missionary $176.00

25. On motion the Moderator was empowered to appoint a committee to investigate and report on the query set forth in the report of the Associational Missionary.

26. The Moderator called Rev. W. F. Barker to the chair and discussed query and other features pertaining to (his) the Missionary report.

27. On motion adjourned one hour.

Wednesday Evening Session, October 16th, 1:45 P. M.

28. Met according to adjournment.

29. The Moderator appointed the following committee to investigate and report on the query set forth in Missionary's report to wit: H. A. Eller, L. J. Sturgill, W. F. Barker, P. H. Haire, Hugh Hagaman, W. R. Lovelace.

30. 2 P. M. The time for preaching having arrived, Rev. J. F. Fletcher retired to the stand and delivered a very strong gospel sermon, text: 2nd Corinthians 6th chapter, 2nd verse, "For he saith I have heard thee" etc. Concluded by Rev. J. R. Brown.

31. REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

State Missions are as important and as needy as ever. The convention is trying to supply the destitutions in the State, but cannot meet all the needs with the means furnished by the churches, our own field has been aided by the convention since this Association was organized and still is offering aid if it be accepted as the Board directs it. Your committee recommends that we insist on all our churches making regular contributions to this department of work and we all pray for its saccess. Submitted

H. A. Eller } Committee

On motion after being discussed by H. A. Eller, J. T. Glenn, P. H. Haire, J. M. Arnold and Moderator adopted.

32. REPORT HOME MISSIONS

There is no department of our work that claims our attention more than the work of our Home work. Seeing the great need of the work of this department being enlarged, the Southern Baptist Convention advised that we as a Baptist people raise five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000) for this object. The record for last year in independent and corporation work was in part, 15,526 members added by baptism, 13,008 added by letter, 237 churches constituted, 309 houses of worship built and repaired, 648 Sunday Schools organized. These figures do not include some other statistics and the untabulated influence of 112,604 gospel sermons and addresses, and the lives of 865 Godly missionaries. When we consider the number of Foreigners that are coming into our Home Mission bounds who must be saved or they will lower our standard of civilization. What answer will this Association make to these appeals. Your committee advises that we double our contributions to the Home Mission Board. That we inform ourselves on this work by taking our Home Field. Submitted

L. J. Sturgill. | Committee.

On motion after being discussed by J. T. Glenn, W. A. Woodruff and others, adopted.

33. REPORT FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Your committee rejoices to report the greatest years work done by our Foreign Board in its History. Near fifteen thousand bap-

tisms are reported during the past year. A number of new churches were organized, also a great many new stations opened. The receipts of the Board were the largest ever before reported. A number of new missionaries have been sent out to Foreign fields. There are also a number of applicants who have offered their services, whom the Board is unable to send for lack of funds. Now brethren whatever we do whether at home or abroad must have some expense attached to it. The workers at home or abroad must be sustained, what will we do? will we go forward with the work? or will we not? The work is ours the Lord and Master whose we are and whom we serve, commands us to preach the Gospel to every creature, to be witnesses for him unto the uttermost parts of the earth. What does that mean? Does it not mean that the christian people of today ought to give the Gospel to those who have it not, that they may learn the way of life and salvation? Is it not a solemn duty laid on us by our Savior? Does any dare to answer in the negative? This is not a matter of sentiment or of idle dreaming, but a matter of obedience. If we can we must and it is evident we can or the Lord would not have commanded.

R. L. Shoaf, Committee.

On motion after being discussed by R. L. Shoaf, J. Brown and others adopted.

34. Upon the adoption of the report on State, Home and Foreign Missions a majority of the delegates present agreed and promised to try to secure contributions from the churches duaing the ensuing year for State, Home and Foreign Missions.

35. The Moderator appointed R. L. Shoaf and Hugh Hagaman a committee on Periodicals.

36. The committee on Religious Exercise report preaching tomorrow at 11 a. m., by Rev. P. H. Haire, Rev. W. H. Glenn to conclude. At 2 p. m., by Rev. A. J. Hart, Rev. J. T. Glenn to conclude. On motion adopted.

37. The Moderator appointed R M. Burkett to conduct Religious Exercise tomorrow morning from 9 to 9:30 a. m.

38. On motion adjourned till tomorrow morning 9 a. m., prayer by J. R. Brown. Benediction by J. T. Glenn.

Thursday Morning Session, October 17th, 9 A. M.

39. Met according to adjournment spent one half hour in devotional exercise conducted by R. M. Burkett reading 12th chapter of Romans, singing and prayer, concluded by the Moderator.

40. The association was called to order by the Moderator.

41. Read and adopted the minute of yesterday.

42. REPORT ON EDUCATION

We feel that the Educational interest is growing in North Carolina, we believe that we as Baptist should use every means vested in us for the advancement of Education in the bounds of our association, as we realize the need of higher Education among the masses of our people, we recommend to the young men of our country Wake Forest College and to the young ladies the Baptist Female University at Raleigh.

On motion after being discussed by Brown, the Clerk, J. T. Glenn, Arnold and the Moderator, adopted.

43. REPORT ON ORPHANAGE

This institution the Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville, N. C., was founded in 1885. It has since that time been a home, a place of Learning, Industry, Economy and moral training for the homeless and penniless Orphans of our people and the state of North Carolina. Through the good management of those having charge of it, and the liberal contributions of our people it has become to be a noble institution one that we are thankful for and one that we are proud of. The plant now consists of

441 acres of land valued at - -	$ 15,000
Buildings worth - -	65,900
Water works -	20,000
Invested Stock -	102,000
Total	$202,900

Live stock Horses 2, Mules 4, Milk cows 15

Number of children in this Institution -	340
" " Employes, males 7, females 21	
" " Teachers in Graded school -	9

Pastor, George P. Harrill
Preaching 1st and 3rd Sundays, Morning and Afternoon
S. H. Everitt, Superintendent Sunday School
Circulation Charity and Children 11,250

Sunday schools giving monthly contributions 462. Of the number 340 children in the Orphanage seven of them are from the Ashe Association, children of our deceased brethren and sisters. The cost of keeping each child in the Orphanage is a little over six dollars per month, over seventy-two dollars per year. A total of over $24,480 per year for the whole number. The future success of this institution is dependent and depends upon the contributions of our people, your committee advises and recommends that the Ashe Association do more for the Orphanage during the ensuing year than it has ever done in any past year and pray God for its success. Submitted—C. L. Blevins, Committee.

On motion after being discussed by the Clerk, P. H. Haire and R. L. Shoaf adopted.

Upon the adoption of the above report a collection was taken which resulted in cash for the Orphanage $14.20
Subscription to Charity and Children 4.00

Total $18.20

And the following pledges were made by the churches to the Orphanage for the ensuing year to wit:

Baptist Home	$3 00	Forest Home	$3.00	New River	$1.00
Bethel	2.50	Healing Springs	2.50	Peak Valley	1.00
Big Flats	1.50	Jefferson	2.50	Pleasant Hill	1.50
Big Laurel	3,00	Landmark	1.50	Pleasant Home	1.00
Bristol	1.00	Long Branch	1.00	Wind Fall	1.00
Buffalo	1.50	Mission Home	1.00	Zion Hill	50
Clifton	1.00	Total church pledges $31.00.			

44 REPORT COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE AN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

We your committee nominate for Executive committee: L. J. Sturgill, H. A. Eller and M. M. Blevins. Submitted

M. F. Jones,
H. Baker,
J. G. Miller. } Committee.

On motion adopted.

45 11 A. M., Rev, P. H. Haire retired to the stand and delivered a strong gospel sermon to a large attentive audience, text: 2nd Corinthians 5th chap. 1st verse. "For we know'' etc. Concluded by J. R. Brown. A great manifestation of the spirit was exhibited at the close of this service.

46 REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

We all know the evils of intemperance. Therefore we all as professed christians ought to contend earnestly against this great evil and obey the teaching of God's word by abstaining from its use. Your committee don't believe that strong drink is as needed as a medicine as some seem to believe. Having seen the evil and ruinous of its excessive use as such let us follow the teachings of the Bible in this matter and deal with its disorderly members as it directs. Submitted—L. J. Sturgill, Committee.

On motion after being discussed by Sturgill, W. R. Lovelace, J. T. Glenn, John Norris, J. F. Fletcher, Woodruff, Arnold and Barker adopted

47 REPORT MINISTERS RELIEF

There is a fund for aiding old and disabled Ministers and their widows who may be in need of help. We as an Association are getting help from this source and have given practically nothing for it. This is not as it should be. We ought to contribute to this fund if we expect to be aided by it. Submitted—W. F. Barker,Com

On motion after being discussed by J. F. Fletcher, John Norris, H. A. Eller and the Moderator adopted.

48 REPORT, COMMITTEE ON QUERY

Your committee finds that Elder G. J. Henderson is not a member of any of our churches, or church of like faith and practice, we further find that he Elder Henderson is pastor of Corinth, Landmark, New River and Pleasant Home churches. Therefore your committee advise Pleasant Home church and Elder Henderson its pastor, together with the other churches of which he is pastor of viz: Corinth, Landmark and New River to consider the attitude which Elder Henderson occupies with respect to church membership and advise these churches to ask Elder Henderson to accept regular membership with some one of our churches or church of like faith and practice by the next meeting of this Association. If he will not do so, then that the churches cease to recognize him as a minister of the Gospel. We hope and pray that Bro. Henderson and these churches will accept this recommendation and continue to give their aid as we consider him and these churches to be as good element as we hold. Submitted,

. J. Sturgill,
H. A. Eller,
W. F. Barker,
W. R. Lovelace,
P. H. Haire,
Hugh Hagaman. } Committee.

On motion adopted.

49 On motion adjourn for one hour.

Thursday Evening Session, October 17th, 1:30 P. M.

50 Met according to adjournment.

51 REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOL AND COLPORTAGE

We learn that some of our churches in this Association in their reports failed in Sunday schools. Therefore we your committee

urge that every church try to report at our next session a good Sunday school which will aid the church in usefulness. We have failed heretofore in Colportage, we feel the need of it in our bounds Your committee advises that the pastors try to supply their field with the proper literature. All kinds of books and literature can be secured at the Baptist Book Store, Raleigh, N. C.

Submitted—P. H. Haire, Com.

On motion after being discussed by P. H. Haire, Clerk, Woodruff, J. F. Church, Glenn, Norris and Moderator, adopted

52 REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS

Whereas there are many things for us as a body to do and many things for us to be thankful for.

1st Resolved that we as Ministers and Delegates of this body make an earnest effort to do more for our Mission cause than we have done in the past, believing that the blessings of God will rest upon us.

2nd Resolved that we tender our thanks to the Moderator and Clerk of our Association for their faithful service rendered during this session.

3rd Resolved that this body tender its thanks to the brethren, sisters and friends of this community for their unlimited benevolence and kind hospitality extended to us during this session of the Association.

Submitted
J. M. Neaves, }
J. T. Glenn. } Committee

Rev. R. L. Shoaf offered the following additional Resolution, to wit: Resolved that this body re-organize the Sunday School convention to hold a session each year embracing some fifth Sunday. On motion adopted.

53 On motion that the Executive committee re-organize the Sunday School convention, select the place and time for holding the convention for 1908 and make such arrangements as will be necessary for said convention. Adopted.

54 Whereas the committee on Periodicals failed to make any report. On motion the Clerk was appointed to prepare a report on Periodicals. Adopted.

55 REPORT ON OBITUARIES

Your committee have received and prepared five obituaries for publication and recommend that any church or person having a deceased brother or sister who were a member of any church of this Association, that they prepare a brief Obituary of them and hand it to the Clerk for publication.

On motion adopted.

56 REPORT ON PERIODICALS

Your committee finds from the reports of the churches to the Association and from general observation that our people need to be better informed as to the workings of the Baptists and the duties we owe to the different departments to which we contribute. Your committee further finds that a great majority of our people are not reading any religious paper or religious literature of any kind. Therefore your committee recommend that every Baptist in the Ashe association supply their home with some good religious paper and inform themselves as to what the Baptist people are doing for the spread of the Gospel, what the Heathen world needs, and what our duties are. To ascertain this information, your

committee recommends to our people the Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children, Home Field and the Foreign Mission Journal.

Submitted—M. M. Blevins, Com.

57 REPORT COMMITTEE ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER FOR NEXT ASSOCIATION

Your committee reports that the next association be held with Beaver Creek church, Beaver Creek, N. C., six miles south of Jefferson and thirty miles west of North Wilkesboro N. C., commencing on Tuesday after the 1st Sunday in Sept. 1908. Rev. W. H. Glenn to deliver the Introductory sermon at 11 A. M. Rev. J. M. Arnold, Alternate.

Submitted—H. A. Eller, Chm. of Com.

58 On motion, that the Clerk be allowed five dollars for his services and that he spend the remainder of Minute fund for printing and distributing minutes to the churches and other proper places. Adopted.

59 Upon request of J. R. Brown a collection was taken in the Association for Allen Blevins, a very aged and infirm brother, who has been a member of the Baptist church a great number of years, and who has always stood firm and contended earnestly for the cause of Christ. Collection received $4.

60 REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

Your committee on Finance have received from the various churches the following named amounts for the different departments as follows to wit:

Minute Fund	$25.05
Associational Missions	5.00
State "	4.80
Home "	3.20
Foreign "	6.65
Orphanage	10.85
Ministers Relief	10
Poor	20
Total	$55.85

Submitted L. J. Sturgill, C. W. Phillips, G. W. Brown. } Com.

On motion adopted.

61 REPORT OF TREASURER

Rec'd of Finance com. at Association						for Minute Fund	$25.05	
"	"	"	"	"	"	" Asso'l Missions	5.00	
"	"	"	"	"	"	" State "	4.80	
"	"	"	"	"	"	" Home "	3.20	
"	"	"	"	"	"	" Foreign "	6.65	
"	"	"	"	"	"	" Orphanage	10.85	
"	"	"	"	"	"	" Ministers Relief	10	
"	"	"	"	"	"	" Poor	20	

Total received of Finance committee $55.85

Rec'd contributions at Association for Associational Missions for the ensuing year	$ 6.50
Rec'd contributions at Association for Orphanage	14.20
" " " " subcrips. Charity & Children	4.00
" " " " delagate to State convention	4.25
" " " " Allen Blevins	4.00
Total received at the Association	$88.80

Received from churches that did not report at the Association but have reported since the Association adjourned the following amounts to wit:

Corinth church for Minute Fund	$1.00
Old Fields " " " "	1.00
" " " Associational Missions	5.00
" " " State "	1.00
" " " Ministers Relief	1.00
Total received from all sources	$97.80

62 DISBURSEMENTS OF TREASURER

Paid Elihu Tucker, Associational Missionary	$16.50
" M. L. Kesler for Orphanage	25.05
" Subscriptions to Charity and Children	4.00
" Walters Durham for State Missions	5.80
" " " " Ministers Relief	1.10
" " " " Poor	20
" Walker Dunson, Home Missions	3.20
" John C. Williams, Foreign Missions	6.65
" P. H. Haire, Delegate to State Convention	4.25
" J. R. Brown for Allen Blevins	4.00
" For printing and distributing 1000 minutes	22.05
Retained for his services	5.00
Total Disbursements	$97.80

Submitted—M. M. Blevins, Treasurer.

63 On motion, Rev. P. H. Haire was unanimously elected a delegate to the Baptist State convention with a contribution for his expenses amounting to $4.25.

64 The Moderator appointed the following standing committees for the ensuing year to write reports on the following subjects to wit:

State Missions—E. C. Eller.
Home " —L. J. Sturgill.
Foreign " —J. T. Glenn.
Orphanage—P. H. Haire.
Ministers Relief—J. M. Neaves.
Education—J. H. Wagoner.
Temperance—J. R. Johnston.
Sunday School and Colportage—W. H. Tyree.

If any of the above named committees cannot attend the Association they will please write the report and mail it to Clerk two weeks prior to the Association.

65 The Moderator called for volunteers as vistors to visit sister associations, whereupon the following named brethren tendered their services to wit:

Alleghany and Grayson—P. H. Haire, W. F. Barker, T. J. Day.

Lebanon—J. M. Arnold.

New River—J. M. Arnold, Elihu Tucker, R. C. Spence.

Stony Fork—J. T. Glenn, J. D. Baker.

Three Forks—P. H. Haire, Hugh Hagaman, R. L. Shoaf, L. J. Sturgill, J. T. Glenn, E. M. Johnson.

66 On motion of J.F. Church adjourned, to meet with Beaver Creek Baptist church on Tuesday after first Sunday in September 1908 at 11 A. M. Prayer by J. M. Arnold. Benediction by Moderator.

Rev. ELIHU TUCKER, Moderator,
M. M. BLEVINS, Clerk and Treasurer.

Thus closed the 21st annual session of the Ashe Baptist association, which was one of the most harmonious sessions this body has ever held. The work for the next year is well planned, and we trust that much good will be accomplished in the spread of the Gospel and for the Master, and that each and every church belonging to the Ashe association will work for the good of the cause of Christ, and make a sure and better report to the next Association than it has ever done before and especially in the Suuday School work—Clerk

	No. Officers and Teachers	Scholars	Total	Schools	Quartillies, etc. Taken	Months Kept Open	Average Attendance	Baptisms	Expenses
Churches									$
Beaver Creek	6	30	36	1	40	6	36		1.60
Bethel	5	57	62	1		6	35		1.70
Big Flats	4	39	43	1	20	6	28		2.00
Bristol	7	70	77	1		6	35		1.20
Buffalo	5	40	45	1	43	6	25		3.00
Friendship	7	60	67	1	82	6	38		1.32
Jefferson	6	25	31	1		6	25		3.00
Mission Home	8	80	88	1		6	50		2.20
Obids	8	70	78	1		6			5.16
Old Fields	6	150	156	1		6	75	5	2.62
Peak Valley	6	51	51	1		9			3.00
Pleasant Hill	4	36	40	1		6	20		38
Total	72	708	774	12	185	72	367	5	27.18

Churches	Sun.	Pastors and Postoffices	Clerks and Postoffices
Apple Grove	2	A J Hart, Green Cove, Va	A Pruitt, Kipling, V
Baptist Home	3	W H Michael, Tracy, N C	L J Sturgill, Solitude, N
Beaver Creek	3	Asa Brown, Riverside, "	J L Goodman, Beaver Creek, "
Bethel	2	" " "	C W Phillips, " "
Big Flats	2	P H Haire, Fleetwood, "	W L Church, Fleetwood, "
Big Laurel	4	W H Michael, Tracy, "	Newell Stuart, Hemlock, "
Bristol	3	P H Haire, Fleetwood, "	W A Johnson, Jefferson, "
Buffalo	4	" " "	T H Ray, Tree Top, "
Brushy Fork		W H Michael Tracy, "	J M Rominger, Green Valley, "
Clifton	2	J T Glenn, Hemlock, "	J G Miller, Clifton, "
Corinth	3	G J Henderson, Rugby, Va	J F Plummer, Volney, Va
Forest Home	2	Elihu Tucker, Grassy Crk, N C	H A Eller, Berlin, N C
Friendship	3	P H Haire, Fleetwood, "	R M Burkett, Jefferson, "
Healing Springs	1	J M Arnold, Solitude, "	I N Hudler, Crumpler, "
Jefferson	1		S A Campbell, Jefferson, "
Landmark	4	G J Henderson, Rugby, Va	L M Brinegar, Grassy Creek, "
Liberty Hill	3	Elihu Tucker, Grassy Crk, N C	J H Wagoner, Nathan's Crk, "
Long Branch	4	R L Shoaf, Warrensville, "	James Welch, Edison, "
Meadow View	1	J C Blevins, Grassy Creek, "	J H Sheets, Grassy Creek, "
Mission Home	1	J T Glenn, Hemlock, "	A D Phillips, Fleetwood, "
Mountain View	2	W H Glenn, Thaxton, "	J A Davis, Grayson, "
New River	3	G J Henderson, Rugby, Va	M W Blevins, Weaversford, "
Obids	4	W F Carlton, Wilkesboro, N C	H M Brown, Obids, "
Old Fields	4	Wm M Lee, Summit, "	H M Blackburn, Summit, "
Peak Valley	1	W H Michael, Tracy, "	W H Tyree, Dyson, "
Pleasant Hill	4	J M Arnold, Solitude, "	A L Stamper, Park, V
Pleasant Home	4	G J Henderson, Rugby, Va	W R Lovelace, Grassy Creek, N C
Wind Fall	3	J F Stanley, Hemlock, N C	J A Wagoner, Weasel, "
Zion Hill	2	T J Day, Warrensville, "	W H Sheets, Tuder, "

Churches	Delegates Present at Association
Apple Grove	A Pruitt, Enoch Hart, W P Lewis
Baptist Home	J M Arnold, E M Johnson, L J Sturgill, Oscar Parker
Beaver Creek	Calvin Tomlinson, R H Goodman
Bethel	C W Phillips, Thomas Brown, J D Baker
Big Flats	Rev P H Haire, F C Church
Big Laurel	W H Glenn, J T Glenn, Neal Campbell, Newell Stuart
Bristol	Rev T J Day
Buffalo	E D Harless
Brushy Fork	Henry Parsons, J M Rominger
Clifton	J G Miller, J A Parsons, J E Elliott
Corinth	
Forest home	I M Carter, R L Shoaf and M F Jones, H A & E C Elle r
Friendship	R M Burkett
Healing Springs	Rev J M Neaves, M M Blevins, H Baker
Jefferson	S A Campbell, J W Badger
Landmark	W F Barker, J C Denny, J R Blackburn, J R Brinegar
Liberty Hill	H L Goodman, J H Wagoner
Long Branch	Owen Welch, J G Welch
Meadow View	
Mission Home	J F Church
Mountain View	Walter Davis
New River	R C Spence, Frank Phipps
Obids	G W Brown, H M Brown, I F Faw
Old Fields	Rev W A Woodruff
Peak Valley	W H Tyree
Pleasant Hill	A L Stamper, L A Wyatt, Nelson Wyatt
Pleasant Home	W R Lovelace, R B Hudler
Wind Fall	E. & J W Tucker, A Hurley: E F Foster, J A Wagoner
Zion Hill	W H Sheets

Churches	Received by baptism	Rec'd By Letter	Rec'd by Restoration	Total Received	Loss by Letter	Loss by Exclusion	Loss by Deceased	Total loss	Gain over last year	Loss over last year	Males	Females	Total
Apple Grove							2	2		2	21	59	80
Baptist Home	4	6		10			2	2	8		36	28	64
Beaver Creek	6	1		7		4		4	3		25	30	55
Bethel	2	3		5	2		2	4	1		43	47	90
Big Flats	1	2	1	4	2	1	1	4			10	25	35
Big Laurel	5			5		3		3	2		28	42	70
Bristol	7	3		10			1	1	9		16	36	52
Buffalo	19	2		21	1		1	2	19		22	53	75
Clifton											20	20	40
Corinth											35	61	96
Forest Home	12	2	1	15			3	3	12		23	27	50
Friendship	2			2	4		2	6		4	28	60	88
Healing Springs	3	3		6	3		3	6			34	58	92
Jefferson	1			1					1		22	14	36
Landmark	2			2	2	6	3	11		9	38	75	113
Liberty Hill	3	7		10					10		4	6	10
Long Branch											13	13	26
Meadow View											10	13	23
Hission Home	8	9	1	18					18		26	49	75
Mountain View	7		1	8					8		3	17	20
New River	1			1			2			1	35	64	99
Obids	13	5		18					18		21	35	56
Old Fields	8	2		10			3	3	7		35	50	85
Peak Valley			2	2	3	3	2	8		6	12	27	39
Pleasant Hill	4	3	2	9	1		1	2	7		20	19	39
Pleasant Home	3			3	1			1	2		30	47	77
Wind Fall											13	17	30
Zion Hill	1			1					1		3	6	9
Totals	112	48	8	168	19	17	28	64	126	22	626	998	1624

* Brushy Fork did not give any statistics

Churches	Paid Pastor	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	Sunday School Expenses	The Poor	Associational Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphanage	Ministers Relief	Other Objects	Minute Fund	Total	Value Church Property	Seating Capacity
	$		$													
Apple Grove													1 50	1 50	500	400
Baptist Home	52.17		8.00	80		18.00				5 00			75	84 72	400	300
Beaver Creek	21.28		11.76	1.60		6.45	1.75		1 50	5 50			1 60	49 84	500	400
Bethel	14.30			1.70		7.95	2.50	1 00	1 00	2 50			1 00	31 95	500	3 0
Big Flats	11.55			2.00		5.21	1.00			2 00			60	22 36		
Big Laurel	36.80		9.00			5.00				3 00			1 50	55 30	400	200
Bristol	10.00			1.20						1 55			65	13 40	150	200
Buffalo	17.85		20.00	3.00		3.17	4.61		3 14	1 75			85	54 37	400	300
Brushy Fork													50	50	400	300
Clifton	7.70					1.55							50	9 75	400	300
Corinth													1 00	1 00	500	300
Forest Home	34.00					10.20	2.50	2 55	5 24	3 84			2 00	60 33	200	250
Friendship	6.30			1.32		4.00				2 34			85	16 31		
Healingsprings	21.30					5.00	1.00			4 70			1 50	33 50	500	400
Jefferson	7.00			3.00			18.00			85			1 00	29 85	400	300
Landmark	14.70					5.00							2 00	21 70	300	300
Liberty Hill	9.02												75	9 77		
Long Branch	5.00				20		30	1 20	65	1 40	1 75		60	11 10		
Meadow View															200	200
Mission Home	42.06	125.00	14.05	2.20		9.78							1 20	194 29	625	400
Mountain View													45	45		
New River	23.38	16.00				5.35							1 00	45 73	600	300
Obids	20.67	20.07		5.16		11.95				2 10			1 15	61 10	400	3 0
Old Fields	25.00			2.62		5.00	1.00			4 60	1 00		1 00	40 22	500	300
Peak Valley	21.00		10.00	3.00									50	34 50	300	200
Pleasant Hill	25.00			38								75	75	26 88	300	300
Pleasant Home	18.50											3 25	1 00	22 75	500	200
Wind Fall	6.00					3.00				2 00			95	11 95	400	300
Zion Hill	2.00												50	2 50		
	$452.58	161 07	72.81	27.98	20	105.61	32.66	4 75	11.53	43.13	2.75	5.50	27 05	947.62	9,375	6,750

OBITUARIES

Sister Hiley Carter, wife of Rev. I. M. Carter was born Sept. 12, 1845. She professed faith in Christ in the year 1862 and was buried with him in baptism at old Mount Pleasant Baptist church and for many years lived in Christian fellowship and love with that church. Several years ago her and her good husband joined Forest Home Baptist church, where she lived a faithful and consecrated life until her death separated them on Oct. 2, 1907, when death came and claimed her. She followed five of her children who had gone on before. So ended the life of 62 years and 20 days of a good companion and a kind Mother.—R. C. Spence, J. M. Arnold.

Sister Lois Blackburn, wife of Rev. Solomon Blackburn was born in the year 1831, departed this life Sept. 7, 1907, aged 76 years. She professed faith in Christ at old Mount Pleasant church 1857 where she became a member and labored in the vineyard of the Lord until that church became extinct. Then she joined Landmark baptist church where she spent the balance of her christian life. She leaves an aged husband almost worn out in the gospel field, several children and a host of relatives and friends who mourn the loss of one so good and kind.—R. C. Spence, J. M. Arnold.

Sister Sarah Sturgill departed this life Oct. 21, 1906, aged 88 years, 5 months and 21 days. She had been a member of the baptist church over 72 years, at the time of her death she was and had been a member of Baptist Home baptist church since its organization, in the faith of the gospel.—R. C. Spence, J. M. Arnold.

Sister Mandy C. Sturgill, wife of Steven Sturgill, departed this life Jan. 10, 1907. She had been a member of Baptist Home Baptist church about 7 years. She died in the faith of the gospel o the Son of God. She left a husband and seven children to mourn her loss.—R. C. Spence, J. M. Arnold.

Sister Ettie Cox, wife of A. R. Cox was born Oct. 13, 1865, departed this life May 28, 1906, aged 40 years, 7 months and 15 days. She joined Apple Grove baptist church in early life where she remained until Wind Fall Baptist church was organized, where she became a member until death. She leaves a husband and six children. Since God thought it best to remove from our churches so many good mothers we feel our loss is their great eternal gain. Farewell till we all meet again.—R. C. Spence, J. M. Arnold.

Sister Lizzie J. Calloway, daughter of Rev. J. N. and Catherine Calloway was born Sept. 1880, departed this life Aug. 11, 1607, age 27 years. She professed a hope in Christ in early life and was a member of Bristol Baptist church at the time of her death. We believe she is an angel in heaven, so her death was a great loss to us but our loss is her great gain.—T. J. Day.

Brother J. F. Baker was born June 14, 1853, departed this life May 17, 1907, aged 53 years, 11 months, 3 days. He professed a hope in Christ several years ago joined Healing Springs Baptist church and lived a consistent christian life till his death. He leaves a widow, seven children and a number of relatives and friends to mourn his death. We say to the widow and children to live in that way that they may meet him where parting is no more.—M. M. Blevins.

Brother Peter Eller son of Brother G. A. and Sister Alice Eller was born Nov. 28, 1902, departed this life Oct. 11, 1907, aged 14 yeals, 10 months, 13 days. He profssed a hope in Christ and joined Old Fields Baptist church a short time before his death. He seemed to enjoy his religion so much. We miss him in the church his seat is vacant but we believe he is enjoying the happiness that Christ said he would prepare for his children when he left this world and ascended to heaven. May his loved ones and friends realize that he has just crossed the river in front of them. And may we all be ready to meet him in peace with God.—Ira Johnston Oscoe Keys, Grant Tomlinson.

Sister Lillie Church daughter of S. A. and Sister Celie Church was born March 14, 1882, departed this life Sept. 3, 1906, aged 24 years, 5 months, 19 days. She joined Old Fields Baptist church at the age of 21 years, and lived a consistent member until her death. She is sadly missed in the church and by her many friends but we hope her absence here will be her eternal happiness beyond this vale of sorrow. We trust her death will be a warning to the living and that they will seek shelter in Christ and be ready when the Master calls for them. May her parents and loved ones be comforted by the Holy Spirit and be ready to meet her in peace when life's trials are over.—Mattie Mills, Oras Blackburn, Ray Phillips.

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

L J Sturgill,	Solitude, N. C.
H A Eller,	Berlin, "
M M Blevins,	Crumpler, "

MEMBER STATE MISSION BOARD

James Eller, Berlin, NC

DELEGATE TO BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

Rev. W F Barker, Grassy Creek, N C

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Barker W F	Grassy Creek	N C
Blackburn Solomon	Crumpler	N C
Blevins J C	Grassy Creek	"
Campbelle N A	Thaxton	"
Carter I M	Grassy Creek	"
Day T J	Warrensville	"
Eldreth Jerome	Dyson	"
Glenn W H	Thaxton	"
Glenn J T	Hemlock	"
Haire P H	Fleetwood	"
Hart Riley	Park	Va.
Henderson G J	Rugby	"
Hurley Andy	Weasel	N C
Neaves J M	Crumpler	"
Reece J H	Alvarado	Va
Shoaf R L	Warrensville	N C
Stanley J F	Hemlock	"
Trivett J S	Fleetwood	"
Tucker Elihu	Grassy Creek	"
Woodruff W A	Oval	"

CONSTITUTION

Article 1 This body shall be called the Ashe Association.

2 The object of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the Gospel in our bounds and in all the world and in this work the Association will co-opperate with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

3 The members of this body shall be all the ordained ministers of the churches of this Association and three delegates from each church who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment and giving Statistics of the membership and work of the church.

4 At each anual session of the body there shall be elected a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer in such away as the Association may direct, the two last offices may be held by the same brother.

5 The Moderator shall preside at the meeting perserve order, appoint committees, and perform such duties as are required of presiding officers.

6 The Clerk shall keep correct record of the procedings of the body and superintend printing and distributing to the churches these procedings.

7 The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent up to the Association, pay them out as the Association may direct and make a report at each anual session.

8 The Association shall hold an anual meeting at such time, and place as may be agreed upon.

9 At each anual meeting there shall be appointed an Executive Committee of three brethern who shall look after the destitutions in the bounds of this Association and co-operate with the State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention making to the next session a report of the work done and of the general State Mission work.

10 At each anual session there shall be appointed committees to make reports during the Session on the following subjects, State Mission, Home Mission, Foreign, Ministerial Education, Baptist Orphanage, Periodicals, Temperance, Dijest church letters, Finace, time, place and preacher for next Association.

11 Each anual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

12 The Association will not receive nor retain in permanent fellowship any church that retains in its fellowship any member who is disorderly in doctrine or practice or who makes, sells or in any way deals in ardent spirits as a beverage.

13 This constitution may be amended by a vote of two thirdsthe members present at any anual session.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPALS.

1 We believe in one only true and living God and that there are three persons in the Godhead, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost and these three are one.

2 We believe that the Bible, the Old and the New Testament is the word of God and the only rule of Faith and practice.

3 We believe in the impotency of man and the Sovereignty of God.

4 We believe that Salvation is by grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5 We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ to be practiced only by believers in their Scriptural order.

6 We believe that baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator and that only those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and in doctrine, should take the Lord's Supper.

7 We believe in the final perseverance of the Saints in grace to glory.

8 We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment.

9 We believe that the existence of the righteous and of the wicked will both be of eternal duration and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

RULES OF ORDER.

1 Every session shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2 When the Moderator calls the house to order every member shall at once take his seat.

3 When a member wishes to speak he shall rise and address the Moderator and not proceed until he has been recognized.

4 No member shall speak more than twice on any subject except by permission of the body.

5 No member shall leave the body during the session without permission of the Moderator.

6 It will be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold private conversation while the Moderator is speaking.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1st Introductory sermon
2nd Roll call of churches and enrollment of Delegates
3rd Election of officers
4tn Reception of new churches
5th Reading Constitution, Abstract of Principles and Rules of Order
6th Appointment of Committees
7th Report of Executive committee
8th Report of Missionary
9th Report of Standing committees
10th Report of other committees
11th Report of Treasurer
12th Miscellaneous

PROCEEDINGS.

Beaver Creek, Ashe Co., N. C. Thursday, Sept. 8, 1908.

1 The Ashe Baptist Association met in its twenty-second annual session with Beaver Creek Baptist church at 11 a. m.

2 The Introductory sermon was delivered by Rev. W. R. Bradshaw of Hickory, N. C. text Solomon 5-3 "I have put off my coat" etc.

3 Adjourned one hour to meet at 2 p. m.

THURSDAY EVENING SESSION

4 Met according to adjournment. The Association was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. Elihu Tucker. Prayer by Rev. D. S. Lee.

5 Called roll of churches. Thereupon twenty-five letters from the different churches were handed in and read by the Clerk assisted by Prof. J. C. Goodman.

6 Enrolled list of delegates as follows:

Apple Grove, Sidney Tucker and Enoch Hart.
Baptist Home, L. J. Sturgill, E. H. Graybeal.
Beaver Creek, J. O. Goodman, J. C. Goodman, J M. Teague.
Bethel, R. G. Johnson, J. J. Goodman.
Big Flatts, Rev. J. S. Trivett, R. C. Parsons, F. C. Church.
Big Laurel, Rev. J. T. Glenn.
Bristol, Jackson Houser, L. T. McClure.
Buffalo, H. A. Campbelle, E. D. Harless.
Brushy Fork, John M. Rominger.
Clifton, J. G. Miller, Monroe Parsons, Abram Rowland.
Corrinth, J. A. Tucker.
Forest Home,Revs. R. L. Shoaf, T. J. Day. and W. A. Johnson, H. C. Poe.
Friendship, R. M. Burchett, W. W. Burchett.
Healing Springs, M. M. Blevins, Wm. Hudler.
Jefferson, W. Luther, S. A. Campbelle.
Landmark, Rev. W. F. Barker, L. M. and J. R. Brinegar.
Liberty Hill, H. L. Goodman.
Meadow View.
Mission Home, T. J. Church, J. E. Woodruff, A. D. Phillip ps.
Mountainview, letter no delegate.
New River.
Obids, D. C. Absher.
Old Field, J. R. Johnson, G. A. Eller, J. F. Blackburn.
Peak Valley, letter no delegate.
Pleasant Hill, A. L. Stamper, L. A. Wyatt.
Pleasant Home.
Windfall, Rev. Elihu Tucker, J. W. Tucker, J. A. Wagoner.

7 On motion the Association proceed to permanent organization by electing Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer by private ballot and that Revs. W. R Bradshaw and John Norris act as tellers.

8 Tellers report, Rev. Elihu Tucker for Moderator and M. M. Blevins for Clerk and Treasurer.

9 On motion the report of Tellers was made unamimous and Tellers were discharged.

10 The Moderator called for new constituted churches whereupon Berlin Baptist church, through her delegate J. T. King handed in her letter asking to be admitted into the Association which was read and on motion was received into the Association with joy and the right-hand of fellowship was extended to the Delegate by the Moderator in behalf of the Association and Delegate enrolled, whose name will appear in official church table.

11 Read Constitution, Abstract of Principals and Rules of Order.

12 The Moderator invited visiting Brethern to seats with Association, whereupon Rev. W. R. Bradshaw from the South Fork, Revs. John Norris, L. C. Wilson, Asa Brown and Bro. I. E. Duncan form Three Forks, V. M. Carter from S. Yadkin, Rev. B. F. Wilcox from Stoney Fork, Revs. Isaac Miller D. S. Lee from the Caldwell, Associations all reported themselves, were extended the right hand of welcome by the Moderator and admitted to seats in the Association.

13 The Moderator appointed Prof. J. O. Goodman a committee on Education on account of the absence of J. H. Wagoner former committee.

14 The Moderator appointed present Committee as follows, to wit:

Periodicals—Rev. J. T. Glenn, R. M. Burchett, D. S. Lee,

Religious Exercise—Pastor and delegates of Beaver Creek church, to wit: Bro. Asa Brown, J. O. and J. C. Goodman, J. M. Trigue, Revs. W. F. Barker and R. L. Shoaf.

To nominate an Executive Committee—J. T. King, Sidney Tucker, S. A. Campbelle.

Temperance—L. J. Sturgill, J. M. Rominger.

Ministers Relief—E. H. Graybeal, D. C. Absher.

Obituaries—Revs. T. J. Day, R. L. Shoaf.

Resolutions—Rev. W. F. Barker, R. G. Johnston.

Time, Place and Preacher for next Association—L. M. Brinegar, J. E. Woodruff, A. L. Stamper, D. C. Absher, Wm. Hudler.

Finance—J. C. Goodman, J. R. Johnson, J. C. Miller.

Report Committee on Religious Exercises,

15 Your Committee on Religious Exercises Report Devotional Exercises to-morrow morning at 9:30 a m to be conducted by Rev John Norris, preaching at 11 a m by Rev Isaac Miller, preaching at 2 p m by Rev. W. R. Bradshaw.

16 Upon request of Rev. W. R. Bradshaw through the Moderator the report on State Mission is to be read at 10 a. m. to-morrow morning.

17 On motion adjourned to meet to-morrow morning 9:30, spend one half hour in devotional exercises. Then take up report on State Missions. Prayer by Rev. John Norris. Benediction by Rev. W. F. Barker.

18 J. C. Goodman announced homes for officers, delegates and visiting Brethern.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION.

19 The Association met according to ajournment, spent one half hour in devotional exercise conducted by Rev. John Norris.

20 The Association was called to order by the Moderator.

21 Read minutes of yesterday and enrolled additional list of delegates which will appear in official church table on motion was adopted

22 The Moderator extended the invatation to visiting brethren where upon R. L. Doughton and G. B. Woodie from the Alleghany and Grayson, W. A. Blackburn from the Blue Ridge Associations reported themselves and were extended the right hand of welcome by the Moderator and were admitted to seats in the Association.

23 REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

By State Missions is meant Missions in North Carolina. The State Board is trying to give the Gospel as the Baptist hold it to every community in the State, and it has done much to evangelize, to christianize and to indoctrinate the people of the State. The Board depends on the churches and individuals for the means which it uses. This Association has long been a beneficiary of the State Board and should aid the Board to help other needy fields, we recommend that all our churches, contribute regularly to this object and all our people pray for its success.

Respectfully submitted,
E. C. Eller, Committee.

On motion after being discussed by Revs. W. R. Brawshaw and J. T. Gleun adopted. Upon the adoption of the above report a collection was taken for State Missions, whereupon $9.47 was obtained for this cause, and the following pledges were made by the churches and individuals for State Missions, To wit:

Baptist Home	$ 3 00	Buffalo	$2 50	Landmark	$5 00
Beaver Creek	10 00	Clifton	2 00	Liberty Hill	1 00
Berlin	6 00	Corrinth	1 00	Mission Home	2 00
Bethel	5 00	Forest Home	2 00	Obids	2 00
Big Flatts	1 00	Friendship	2 00	Old Fields	2 00
Big Laurel	5 00	Healingsprings	2 50	Pleasant Hill	1 00
Bristol	1 00	Jefferson	2 50	Windfall	2 00
Total					60 50

Individual pledges for State Missions

Enoch Hart	1 00	H A Eller	1 00	J. T. Glenn paid	1 00
W W Burkett	1 00	W L Luther	1 00	N. F. Ballou	1 00
R M Burkett	1 00	J E Woodruff	1 00	T. H. Harless	50
Sidney Tucker	1 00	M M Blevins	1 00		
Total					10 5
Grand total					80 47

24 11 a. m. Rev. Isaac Miller retired to the Grove and preached a good affective gospel sermon to a large attentive audience. Much feeling for good was exhibited at the close of this sermon.

25 REPORT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Dear Brethren: As agreed by the Association at its last session Elder Elihu Tucker was continued on the Mission Field, during the last year, he held a number of revival meetings. During the winter and spring he has supplied two churches with preaching during the year and since July has preached monthly to the church at Jefferson, and for the past two months or more he has given

nearly all the entire time to the churches and has given nearly all the churches appointments. Your missionory and your committee feel lost to report that there is a very great need all over the field for more preaching; In fact a number of churches are pastorless and have no regular preaching, we trust that the churches will secure pastors for the incoming year and that the association will provide means to secure an active man for all the time to do strictly mission work in the bounds of this association. Respectfully submitted—H. A. Eller, Com.

26 REPORT OF ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY

Being re-elected to take the field as Associational missionary for the ensuing year I began the work soon after the adjournment of the association. I assisted pastors in holding revival meetings at several of the churches in which there were ninety-three professions of faith in Christ and fifty-eight additions to the churches. Baptized and aided in baptizing forty-three converts, visited all the churches except five, and found them all in fairly good condition except a few have no pastor, organized one new chnrch known as Berlin Baptist church. Have preached a great many sermons and visited a great number of homes. At last association there was pledged for this cause by the churches and individuals one hundred and seventy six dollars. I have received for this work from the churches and individuals that pledged to support this cause and some churches and individuals that did not pledge as follows to wit:

Churches that pledged and paid

Baptist Home	$8 00	Buffalo	$ 3 15	Jefferson	$ 5 00
Beaver Creek	5 00	Clifton	5 00	Landmark	10 00
Bethel	10 00	Forest Home	2 80	Liberty Hill	10 00
Big Flats	2 50	Friendship	3 00	Mission Home	10 00
Big Laurel	10 00	Healing Springs	10 00	Old Fields	4 50

Total paid by churches that pledged $98 95

Received from churches that did not pledge

Berlin $12 20 Bristol 1 50 Obids 2 45 Windfall 5 00

Total received from churches that did not pledge $21.15

Received from individuals that pledged

J W Tucker	$1 00	H A Eller	$1 00	E C Eller	1 00
J A Wagoner	1 00	M M Blevins	1 00	Hugh Hagaman	1 00
P H Haire	1 00	E F Foster	1 00	Newell Stuart	1 00
W F Barker	1 00	J M Neaves	1 00	I F Faw	1 00
T J Church	1 00	J C Denny	1 00	Mrs. I F Faw	50
		M F Jones	1 00	C W Phillips	1 00

Total received from individuals that pledged $16.50

Received from individuals that did not pledge

Isom Thompson	1 00	J A Price	1 75	Arthur Graybeal	50
W G Thompson	1 00	J C Blevins	50	W R Lovelace	10

Total received from individuals that did not pledge $4 85

Grand total received from all sources $141 45

I find the demands and needs for this work in the bounds of this association to be greater than ever before. Respectfully submitted —Elihu Tucker, Associational Missionary.

27 On motion adjourned till 2 p. m. for preaching in the grove,

WEDNESDAY EVENING SESSION

2 p. m. the Association and congregation assembled in the Grove for preaching. Rev. W. R. Bradshaw delivered an earnest, encouraging sermon to a large attentive audience, text, John 11:28, "the Master is come and calleth for thee," A great manifestation of the Spirit the Lord was felt and realized at the close of this exercise.

29 3 p m The Association assembled in the house for business and was called to order by the Moderator,

30 Received and read letter from Zion Hill church and enrolled W. H, Sheets as a delegate.

31 On motion the report of the Executive Committee and the report of the Associational Missionary after being discussed together by H. A. Eller, Elihu Tucker, L. J. Sturgill, R. L. Doughton and several other brethren was adopted.

32 On motion that the a sociation recommend to the Executive Committee a man for Associational Missionary to be employed by the Executive committee as Associational missionary for the ensuing year, and that if the churches fail to pledge a sufficient amount for his support to carry on the Mission work in the bounds of the Ashe Associa ion that the Executive committee correspond with the State Mission Board and try to secure a supplement to his support. Adopted

33 On motion that the Association proceed to recommend a man to the Executive committee for an Associational missionary by private ballot and that Rev. L. C. Wilson and R. L Doughton act as tellers, Adopted.

34 Tellers report for Associational Missionary as recommended by the association Rev. Elihu Tucker.

35 On motion that the report of tellers be received and tellers be discharged. Adopted.

36 Upon the adoption of the report of Tellers recommending Rev. Elihu Tucker for Associational Missionary for the ensuing year the following pledges were made by the different churches and individuals for his support in this work to wit:

Churches that pledged for Associational Missions

Baptist Home	$5 00	Brushy Fork	5 00	Landmark	15 00
Beaver Creek	10 00	Clifton	5 00	Liberty Hill	10 00
Berlin	8 00	Forest Home	2 00	Mission Home	5 00
Bethel	2 50	Friendship	3 00	Obids	3 00
Big Flats	5 00	Healing Spr'gs	10 00	Old Fields	5 00
Buffalo	2 50	Jefferson	5 00	Wirfall	5 00
Total		$108.00		Zion Hill	2 00

Individuals that pledged for Associational missions

E H Graybeal	2 00	J A Goodman p	1 00	H A Campbell	1 00
L J Sturgill	2 00	R L Doughton'	5 00	G A Eller	1 00
N F Ballou	5 00	J R Johnson	1 00	J E Johnson	1 00
J D Wagoner	2 00	Hamp Blevins	2 00	M M Blevins	1 00
W F Barker	1 00	J W Tucker	1 00	J A Wagoner p	1 00
C W Phillips	5 00				
Total		$32.00			
Grand total		$104.00			

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

37 The members and Delegates of the Ashe Association fully realizing the all importance of Education and the intellectual developement of the ministerial and laymen part of the church and feeling a deep and sincere interest in the mentel, physical and moral developement of the young people of our great Commonwealth and nation, do most heartily recommend that the members of this body resolve that they will henceforth use all of the means, in their power to promote the grand and noble cause of education. The time is coming and now is when our church members, our citizens, our ministers and our nation must have broader, deeper and more systematic training. There are brilliant minds sleeping among these mountains and on these plains and once they be quickened, our church and great commonwealth will be deeply impressed by

their potent touch. The church is becoming more impressed with the true worth of knowledge and the wonderful possibilities of the mind than at any time in the annals of the past history of the Baptist church. Do we feel the pressing and imperative need of educated ministers. The tidal wave of education has swept over the bosom of this queen of nations and the minds, hearts and souls of men must be fed upon the Gospel doctrine of the eternal word of God, administered by those whose capacity is fully commensurate with this advanced age of civilization and human requirement, and in consideration of the above mentioned facts be it resolved and it is hereby resolved that this body of delegates do each and severally recommend to their churches that their pastors be paid a salary sufficient to enable them to devote more time to study.

Respectfully submitted

J. O. Goodman Committee.

On motion after being discussed by J. O. Goodman and Rev. John Norris. Adopted.

REPORT COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS EXERCISE.

38 Your Committee on Religious exercise report devotional exercise to-morrow morning 9:30 a. m. to be conducted by Rev. B. F. Wilcox, preaching at 11 a. m. by Rev. L. C. Wilson, Rev. W. F. Barker to conclude. Adopted.

39 On motion adjourned till to-morrow morning 9:30 a. m. pray by Rev. W. F. Barker, benediction by the Moderator.

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION

40 The Association met according to adjournment, spent one half hour in devotional exercises conducted by Rev. V. M Carter who was appointed by the Moderator to act in the absence Rev. B. F. Wilcox.

41 The association was called to order by the Moderator.

42 Read and adopted minute of yesterday.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

The Home Mission Board is doing and having done through it, God called ministers, and the aid and co-operation of the thousands of Godly Baptist men and women by their money and prayers and that by the combined and consolidated effort of the whole forces and having Godly men to lead us. Thousands are being saved from their sins yearly. We should take fresh courage and enlarge our gifts. Through this Board hundreds of church houses are built each year and the spirit of Missions instilled in the hearts of our people.

Your committee believes strong in an organized offort to carry on the Lord's work. We are the Lord's people doing the Lord's work and we should wake up and do it with delight and read the scriptures, with the Home Mission Field, a cheap and good paper printed in the interest of the Home Mission work. Respectfully submitted—L. J. Sturgill, Com.

44 Report on Foreign Missions

The Apostle Paul tells us that Christ is the propitiation not for our sins only but for the sins of the whole world. Jesus said, and the gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations. The plan of God in the redemption of the human race is human instrumentality. The gospel must be carried to the nations by men and women upon whose hearts God has laid his work, which calls for the most heroic sacrifices. Our opportunities are enlarging every year. The Macadonian cry is ringing in our ears and our

inability to furnish the workers and the means to take care of the fields that are white unto the harvest is a sad comment on our great denomination. One of the greatest needs in our Association is an aroused missionary conscience, while we are fond of congratulating ourselves on the great increase in our Foreign Mission offering in the last few years there ought to be a keen sense of condemnation because we have done so little in proportion to our ability. Brethren, eight theological schools with two hundred and twenty-two missionaries and three hundred and thirty-eight native helpers, and others wanting to go. We ought to give more for Foreign Missions than ever before. Brethren let us be faithful to the trust committed to us let us labor together with Christ that his glory may be declared among the heathens and his wonders among all people. Respectfully submitted—J. T. Glenn, Com

In connection with the reports on Home and Foreign Missions an advisory letter from Brother James Eller to the Association was read and adopted.

On motion the reports on Home and Foreign Missions after being discussed by Revs. J. T. Glenn, L. C. Wilson, D. S. Lee and R. L. Doughton, were adopted. Upon the adoption of these reports the Association recommend that each and every church of the Association take more and deeper interest in these departments than ever before and take collections for these causes at least twice a year.

45 11 a. m. the time for preaching having arrived Rev. L. C. Wilson retired to the grove and preached to a large attentive congregation, text Ephesians 3-14-21, "For this Cause etc. concluded by Rev. W. F. Barker.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

46 Rev. P. H. Haire who was previously appointed to write a report on orphanage having failed to write the report. The following report was read to wit:

This institution the Baptist Orphanage at Thomisville, N. C. was founded in 1885. It has since that time been a home, a place of learning, industry, economy and moral training for the homeless and penniless orphans of our people and the State of North Corolina, through the good management of those having charge of it and the liberal contributions of our people it has become to be a noble institution, one that we are thankful for and one that we are proud of. The plant now consists of 441 acres valued at $ 15 000

Buildings worth	65 900
Water works	20 000
Invested stock	102 000
Total	202 900

Live stock—hosses 2, mules 4 milch cows 15. Number of children in the Institution 340

Number of employees males 7, females 21, total 28

" " teachers in graded school 9

Pastor Geo. P. Harrill, preaching 1st and 3rd Sunday mornings and afternoon, S. H. Everitt supterintendent of Sunday school, circulation Chairty and Children 11,000, Sunday schools giving monthly contributions $4 62. Of the number 340 children in the Orphanage, seven of them are from the Ashe Association, children of our deceased brethren and sisters. The cost of keeping each child in the orphanage is over six dollars per month, over $72.00 per year, a total or over $24.480 per year for the whole number. The future success of this institution is dependent and depends upon the contributions of our people, your committee advises and re-

commends that the Association do more for the orphanage during the ensuing year than it has ever done in any past year and pray God for its success. Respectfully submitted,

C. L. Blevins, Committee.

On motion adopted. Upon the adoption of the report on orphanage, the following resolution was offered to wit: Resolved that it is the sense of this Association that our churches should make a special effort for the orphanage, therefore we recommend that the several pastors of this Association appoint a committee at each church consisting of three sisters to collect funds for this purpose.

Respectfully submitteded,

R. L. Doughton.

On motion adopted.

Upon adoption of this resolution a collection was taken and obtained for the orphanage $10.42. Subscription for Charity and Children:

N. F. Ballou paid $1 00. Rev. T. J. Day,S. A. Campbelle
Mrs. Mamie Waugh " 1 00. Mrs. W. H. Carvey,
Mrs. M. V. Goodman, total collection $12.42, and the following pledges were made for the orphanage to wit;

N. H. Ballou	$5.00	S. A. Campbelle	$1.00
Rev. T. J. Day	1.00	Mrs. W. H. Garvey	1.00
Total			8.00

47 REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your committee do recommend that we as baptist strictly adhere to the teaching of Gods word on these things and practice temperance in all things and totally obstain from all intoxicating liquors. Teach our children and our people the awful consequence of indulging in strong drink and advise our Baptist people to adhere strictly to the 12 article in our constitution. J. R. Johnston, Committee. Adopted.

48 REPORT ON MINISTER TS RELIE.

Your committee beg to report as follows, there is a fund for aiding old and disabled ministers and their widows who may be in need of help. We as an Association are getting aid from this source and have given practically nothing for it. This is not as it should be, we ought to contribute more liberally than ever before, to this fund, if we expect to be aided by it, we urge it upon all our brethren to be more mindful of our old veterans of the Cross who have retired from the field.

Respectfully submitted,

E. H. Graybeal,
D. C. Absher, Com.

On motion after being discussed by Revs. J. T. Glenn, R. L. Shoaf and the Moderator. Adopted.

49 REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Your committee on Periodicals report as follows, Believing Periodicals to be an inportant medium of education and knowing our Baptist people need to be better educated along this line of our work. We would emphasize the urgent need of our people reading more of our Baptist papers. We recommend, first the Biblical Recorder as the organ of the Baptist State Conventton and upon the reader and our obligations to it depends largely our State Mission work. We recommend secondly Charity and Children as an important factor in our

orphanage work and to read Charity and Children more is to know more about our orphanage work. We recommend in third place the Foreign Mission Journal as an important source of information concerning our Foreign Mission work and every Baptist in the Association ought to read the Foreign Mission Journal and Home Field. We further recommend all good literature as necessary in our educational development.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. Burkett
D. S. Lee } Committee.
J. T. Glenn

On motion after being discuessed by Rev. D. S. Lee. Adopted

50 Report on Sunday School and Colportage.

Dear brethren, as I was appointed to write on Sunday school and Colportage work. After looking over the minute I find all our churches does not have Sunday school, I surely think that every church ought to have a good Sunday school. I can see a great need of work to be done along this line. I surely think there can be a great work done in the bounds of the Association. I think there could be a great deal done in the Colportage line, in our part of the country. I do insist that this body advise some plan for the Colportage work to go on. I insist on every church in the Association to have a Sunday school for the ensuing year. Submitted,

W. H. Tyree, Com. Adopted.

Upon the adoption of this report it was recommended by the Association that our people use the Bible, the Old and New Testament and the Baptist Sunday school literature in the Sunday schools.

51 Report of Committee to Nominate an Executive Com.

Your committee begs lief to submit the following report, we have fully decided that the Executive Committee who have so faithfully served us for the year should be reappointed for the ensuing Assocional year, to wit: H. A. Eller, L, J. Sturgill and M. M. Blevins. Respectfully submitted,

Sidney Tucker,
J. T. King, Committee.
S. A. Campbelle,

On motion adopted.

52 REPORT COMMITTEE ON OBITUARIES.

We your committee on obituaries recommend that all the churches of this Association that has lost a brother or sister during the past year by death prepare a short obituary of them and hand or send it to the Clerk of the Association at the earliest convenience or at least before the manuscript is sent to the press for printing, Submitted.

R. L. Shoaf,
T. J. Day Com.

53 Whereas Meadow View church has failed to report to the association for two years, on motion the Moderator appointed Revs. T. J. Day, R. M. Burkett, R. L. Shoaf, J. C. Blevins and himself a committee to visit Meadow View church and learn why the church does not report to the Association and make their report of the same to the next session of this Association.

54 Report Committee on Place, Time and Preacher for next Association.

Your committee recommend that the next Association be held with Mission Home church, Fleetwood, Ashe Co., N. C. 10 miles south-west of Jefferson and 30 miles west of North Wilkesboro, N. C., commencing on Tuesday after the first Sunday in October 1909, Rev. W. F. Barker to deliver the introductory sermon at 11 a. m. Rev. P. H. Haire, alternate.

A L Stamper
J E Woodruff
L M Brinegar Committee.
W J Hudler
D C Absher

On motion adopted.

55 REPORT COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS,

Whereas there has been great work done and many things for us as a body to be thankful for, therefore be it resolved,

1 That we as ministers and delegates of this body make a more earnest effort for the Mission causes for the ensuing year than we have done in the past.

2 That this body advise and insist on the churches to take more interest in all the objects of our work. Let each church see to it that one or more collections within the year be taken for each and every object of our work.

3 That we as a body invite the brother ministers of our sister Associations to aid us in this work.

4 That the thanks of the association are tendered to Bro. James Eller for his kind letter of interest manifested for the welfare of the cause of Christianity and Humanity.

5 That we tender our thanks to the Moderator and Clerk of this association for their faithful service rendered during the sitting of this body.

6 That this Association tender its thanks to the brethren, sisters and friends of this community for their benevolence and kind hospitality extenbed to us during this session of the Association. Respectfully submitted,

W. F. Barker
R. G. Johnston committee.

Adopted.

56 On motion the Clerk was directed to appoint committees to write reports on State, Home and Foreign Missions and other subjects for the ensuing year. Thereupon the clerk made the following appointments to wit:

State Missions, J. T. Glenn; Home Missions, J. T. King; Foreign Missions, E. H. Graybeal; Baptist Orphanage, J. G. Miller: Ministerial Education, J. C. Goodman; Ministers Relief, R. L. Shoaf; Temperance, C.W. Phillipps; Sunday School and Colportage, R. M. Burckett.

Brethren please write these reports and have them ready for next session, should you be unable to attend the next association. Mail the reports to the Clerk in due time or send them to the association, please don't neglect this matter.--Clerk.

57 The Moderator called for a volunteer to go as a delegate to the Baptist State Convention, whereupon Rev. W. F. Barker was selected and agreed to go to BaptistState Convention, and $3.35 was contributed for his expenses.

58 The Moderator called for volunteers to visit the sister associations whereupon the following named brethren tendered their services to wit:

Three Forks Association--L. J. Sturgill, M. M. Blevins, P H. Haire, J. T. Glenn, R. L. Shoaf, E. H. Graybeal.

Stoney Fork Association--F. C. Church, R. A. Goodman, R. C. Parsons.

New River Association--N. F. Ballou, Sidney Tucker, Elihu Tucker.

Alleghany and Grayson Association--T. F. Ray, P. H. Haire W. F. Barker, Elihu Tucker, L. J. Sturgill, W. L. Luther.

59 REPORT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Your committee on Finance beg to submit the following report. Received from the various churches for the different objects the following named amounts to wit:

Minute Fund	$21 60
State Missions - -	2 25
Home Missions -	50
Foreign "	25
Orphanage -	10 90
Ministers Relief	1 55
Total	$37 05

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. Goodman,
J. R. Johnson | Committee
J. G. Miller, | Adopted.

60 On motion that the Clerk be allowed $5 for his services and that he spend the remainder of Minute Fund for printing and distributing minutes to the churches and other proper places.

61 REPORT OF TREASURER

Rec'd contribution at Association for State Missions	$9 47
" from Finance com " " "	2 25
" " Rev. J. T. Glenn " " "	1 00
Total	$12 72
" " Finance committee for Home Missions	50
" " " " " Foreign "	25
" " R. L. Doughton " Asso "	5 00
" " J. A. Goodman " " "	1 00
" " J. A. Wagoner " " "	1 00
Total	$7 00
" " at association for Orphanage	10 42
" from Finance com " "	10 90
" " Pleasant Home chu " "	1 00
Total	$22 32

Rec'd subscription for Charity and Children	2 00
" from Finance com for Miniters Relief	1 55
" for delegate to Baptist State Convention	3 35
" from Finance com for Minute Fund	21 60
" " Long Branch church " " "	60
" "New River " " " "	1 00
" " Pleasant Home " " " "	1 00
Total	$24 20

Grand total received from all sources $73 89

62 DISBURSEMENTS OF TREASURER

Pd Walters Durham,Treas Bap State Con State Missions	$12 72
" " " " " " " Home "	50
" " " " " " " Foreign "	25
" " " " " " " Ministers Relief	1 55
Total	$15 02
" Rev. Elihu Tucker Asso Missionary for ensuing year	$7 00
" M. L. Kesler Superintendent Orphanage	22 32
" Subscription to Charity and Children	2 00
Am't in hand for Delegate to Baptist State Convention	3 35
For printing and distributing 900 minutes	19 20
Retained for Clerical services	5 00
Total	$73 86

Respectfully submitted
M. M, Blevins, Treasurer.

63 On motion adjourned to meet with Mission Home Baptist church on Tuesday after the first Sunday in Oct. 1909. Prayer by R M. Burkett, Benediction by Rev. W. F. Barker.

Rev. ELIHU TUCKER, Moderator,
M. M. BLEVINS, Clerk and Treasurer

In this way closed the 22nd annual session of the Ashe Baptist Association, which was one of the best sessions this association has ever held, The work for the ensuing year is well formulated and laid out, Therefore we urge that the pastors, churches and committees all discharge their respective duties relative to the work as laid out so that we may have good and full reports at our next association and that great good will be accomplished for the Master and his kingdom.--Clerk.

DELEGATES PRESENT AT ASSOCIATION

Apple Grove--Sidney Tucker, Enoch Hart.
Baptist Home-- L. J. Sturgill, E. H. Graybeal, Winfield Sturgill, Oscar Parker.
Beaver Creek--J. O. and J. C. Goodman, J. M. Teague.
Berlin--J. T. King, H. A. Eller.
Bethel--Wm. Johnson, R. G. Johnson, J J. Goodman.
Big Flats--Revs. P. H. Haire, J. S. Trivett, R. C. Parsons, F. C. Church, R. A. Goodman.
Big Laurel--J. T. Glenn.
Bristol--Jackson Hauser, L. F. McClure.
Buffalo--H. A. Campbelle, E. D. Harless.
Brushy Fork--J. M. Rominger.
Clifton--J. G. Miller, Abram Roland, J. E. Elliott,
Corinth--J. A. Tucker.
Friendship--W. W. Burkett, R. M. Burkett.
Forest Home--Revs. R. L. Shoaf and T. J. Day, W. A. Johnson, H. C. Poe, Jacob Day.
Healing Springs--M. M. Blevins, Wm. Hudler.
Jefferson--S. A. Campbell, W. L. Luther.
Landmark--Rev. W. F. Barker, L. M. Brinegar, J. R. Brinegar, Foster Oliver.
Liberty Hill--H. L. Goodman.
Long Branch--
Meadow View--
Mission Home--T. J. Church,J. E. Woodruff,A. D. Phillips
Mountain View--
New River--
Obids--D. D. Absher, H. M. Brown, I. F. Faw.
Old Fields--Rev. W. A. Woodruff, J. R. Johnson, J. F. Blackburn, G. A. Eller.
Peak Valley--
Pleasant Hill--A. L. Stamper, L. A. Wyatt.
Pleasant Home--
Windfall--Rev. Elihu Turker, J. W. Tucker, J. A. Wagoner
Zion Hill--W. H. Sheets

Sunday School Statistics

	No. officers, teachers	Number of scholars	Total	Number of schools	No quarterlies, etc. taken	No of volumes in library	No of months kept open	Average attendance	Expenses
Baptist Home	6	39	45	1	58		5	37	6 80
Beaver Creek	6	35	41	1	45		6	41	2 00
Bethel	6	51	57	1	48		7	40	
Big Flatts	4	55	59	1			6	32	
Big Laurel	4	50	54	1	40		5	31	2 50
Buffalo	7	56	63	1	42		6	24	2 80
Clifton	5	65	70	1	40		4	47	
Corinth	5	50	55	1			5	40	35
Friendship	6	65	71	1			5	35	
Forest Home	7	60	67	1			3	33	
Healing Springs	8	70	78	2	50		5	35	1 50
Landmark	2	41	43	1			5	40	
Mission Home	6	99	105	1			5	60	2 00
Obids	8	127	135	1	90	15	6	64	4 97
Old Fields	7	125	132	1	32		5	70	3 00
Peak Valley	10	75	85	1	86		6	55	3 70
Pleasant Hill	6	40	46	1	12		5	30	60
Zion Hill	5	49	54	1				25	
	108	1152	1260	19	543	15	89	739	$30.22

Churches	Received by baptism	Received by letter	Rec'd by restoration	Total received	Loss by letter	Loss by exclusion	Loss by death	Total loss	Gain over last year	Loss over last year	Males	Females	Total
Apple Grove					3	1	1	5		5	20	56	76
Baptist Home						4	1	5		5	27	32	59
Beaver Creek	3			3		4		4		1	27	30	57
Berlin	4		1	5					5		19	20	39
Bethel			1	1	3		1	4		3	42	44	86
Big Flatts					2			2		2	9	21	30
Big Laurel					2	1		3		3	23	40	63
Bristol	7			7	4			4	3		18	37	55
Buffalo	1			1					1		23	53	76
Brushy Fork											12	12	24
Clifton	13			13	1			1	12		24	28	52
Corinth	4	3	3	10		10	3	13		3	28	50	78
Friendship	2			2		4		4		2	24	60	84
Forest Home	3	5		8	34			34		26	11	13	24
Jefferson						1		1		1	18	13	31
Healing Springs	6			6	3	1		4	2		34	60	94
Landmark	22		11	33	1			1	32		52	86	138
Liberty Hill	7	1		8					8		7	11	18
Long Branch											13	13	26
Meadow View											10	13	23
Mission Home	1	4		11		1	1	2	9		30	54	84
Mountain View	1	1	1	3					3		5	18	23
New River											35	64	99
Obids	14	1	1	16					16		28	45	73
Old Fields						1		1		1	34	50	84
Peak Valley	1			1		1		1			11	30	41
Pleasant Hill		3		3					3		9	9	18
Pleasant Home					1		1	2		2	30	45	75
Windfall											13	17	30
Zion Hill											3	6	9
Totals	95	18	18	131	51	29	8	91	94	54	639	1030	1669

Churches	Paid Pastor	Building & repairing	Incidentals	Sun School expenses	The Poor	Associational mission	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphanage	Ministers Relief	Other objects	Minute Fund	Total	Value church prop.	Seating capacity
ople Grove													1 00	1 00	500	400
ptist Home	35 25			6 80		8 00				3 00			65	53 70	300	200
aver Creek	20 50	15 00	5 90	2 00		5 00	2 50	50	2 59	4 75			90	59 64	500	400
rlin	23 50					12 20							1 50	37 20	100	200
thel						10 00				2 50			1 00	13 50	500	300
g Flatts	4 40	100 00				2 50							50	107 40		
g Laurel	36 87			2 50	3 50	10 00				3 00			80	53 17	400	200
istol	6 85					1 50				3 00			60	11 95	150	200
ffalo	18 15		7 40	2 80		3 15	1 31			1 89			75	38 95	400	300
ushy Fork	8 25												60	8 85	500	400
ifton	32 85					5 00	2 77		1 65	2 39			75	45 41	400	300
rinth	22 40	6 00		35	4 00				25	25			1 00	34 25	500	250
iendship	13 95					3 00				1 40			55	18 90		
rest Home	3 00				2 00	4 50			3 00	3 00			75	16 25	200	500
fferson						5 00				3 55			75	9 30	400	300
aling Springs	11 00	4 00		1 50		10 00				2 50			1 50	30 50	500	400
ndmark	20 00				3 00	10 00							2 00	35 00	300	300
berty Hill	1 00		85			10 00							85	12 70		
ng Branch													60	6		
eadow View															200	200
ssion Home	48 12			2 00		10 00		48	1 93	1 32		6 12	1 00	70 97	640	400
ountain View													30	30		
w River	15 00												1 00	16 00	600	300
ids	28 66			4 97		2 35	50			1 00	1 00	23 95	75	63 18	400	400
d Fields	12 00			3 00		4 50				1 55	1 55		1 00	23 60	500	300
ak Valley	18 10			3 70									35	22 15	325	325
easant Hill	5 85			60	2 25					1 50		4 00	75	14 95	500	300
easant Home										1 00			1 00	2 00	500	200
indfall	7 75									1 00			75	9 50	400	300
on Hill	3 00												25	3 25		
	396 45	125.00	14.15	30.22	14 75	116.70	7.08	98	9.42	38.60	2.55	34 07	24.20	814.17	9,715	7,325

OBITUARY.

William H. Gentry was born in Ashe county North Carolina on the 3rd of July 1828, d fell asleep in Christ at his home in Jefferson, N. C., on the 1st day of December, 07. For half a century he was a member of the Baptist church and lived a consist- t christian member till his death. He was loved by all people who came in contact th him, we miss him as one of our Baptist leaders, he was a great lover of the Bap- st cause and open hearted in supporting its principals. May his loved ones and friends alize that he has just crossed the river before them and may we all be ready to met m in peace with God.—Respectfully submitted,

E. L. Tucker
S. A. Campbelle Com.

OFFICIAL CHURCH TABLE

Churches	S	Pastors and Postoffices		Clerks and Postoffices	
Apple Grove	2	J R Hart	Park, Va	A Pruitt	Park, Va
Baptist Home	3	W H Michael	Tracy, N C	L J Sturgill	Parker, N C
Beaver Creek	3	Asa Brown	Riverside, "	J L Goodman,	Beaver Creek, "
Berlin	2	Elihu Tucker	Grassy Creek, "	H A Eller,	Berlin, "
Bethel	2			C W Phillips	Beaver Creek, "
Big Flatts	2	B F Wilcox,	McGuire, "	W L Church	Fleetwood, "
Big Laurel	4	J T Glenn	Hemlock, "	Newell Stuart	Hemlock, "
Bristol	4	T J Day,	Warrensville. "	L F McLower	Jefferson, "
Buffalo	4	W H Micheal	Tracy, "	T H Ray	Treetop, "
Brushy Fork	4	P H Haire	Fleetwood, "	J M Rominger	Green Valley, "
Clifton	2	P H Haire	Fleetwood, "	J G Miller	Clifton, "
Corinth	2	G J Henderson,	Rugby, Va	J F Plummer	Volney, Va
Friendship	4	W F Barker	Grassy Creek, NC	R M Burkett	Jefferson, N C
Forest Home	3	R L Shoaf	Warrensville, "	W A Johnson	Jefferson, "
Healing Springs	1	W F Barker	Grassy Creek, "	I N Hudler	Crumpler, "
Jefferson	1	Elihu Tucker	" "	W L Luther	Jefferson, "
Landmark	4	G J Henderson	Rugby, Va	L M Brinegar	Grassy Creek, "
Liberty Hill	3	Elihu Tucker	Grassy Creek, N C	J H Wagoner	Nathan's Creek, "
Long Branch	4			J G Welch	Eddison, "
Meadow View	1			J H Sheets	Grassy Creek, "
Mission Home	1	J T Glenn	Hemlock, "	A D Phillipps	Fleetwood, "
Mountain View	2	T J Day	Warrensville, "	Walter Davis	Grayson, "
New River	3	G J Henderson	Rugby, Va	M W Blevins	Weaversford, "
Obids	4	W T Carlton	Wilkesboro, N C	H M Brown	Obids, "
Old Fields	4	W M Lee	Summit, "	H M Blackburn	Summit, "
Peak Valley	1	W H Micheal	Tracy, "	W H Tyree	Dyson, "
Pleasant Hill	4	J R Brown	Saltville, Va	A L Stamper	Park, Va
Pleasant Home	4	W F Barker	Grassy Creek, N C	W R Lovelace	Grassy Creek, N C
Windfall	4	"	" "	J A Wagoner	Park, Va
Zion Hill	2	T J Day	Warrensville, "	W H Sheets	Index, N C

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

Crumpler, Ashe county N. C. Aug. 28, 1908.

1 The Sunday School Convention of the Ashe Association met with Healingsprings Baptist church at 11 a. m.

2 The Introductory sermon was preached by Rev. Elihu Tucker text 2ond Peter 1-5-6-7 "And beside this etc.

3 Called roll of churches, on account of the continual heavy rain only seven churches answered and were represented as follows,

Baptist Home,	by letter,	Clifton, by letter
Healingsprings	" "	anddelegates,J.M.Neaves,M.M.Blevins
Landmark	"	W F.Barker, J.R.Brinegar
Old Fields	"	G. A. Eller
Meadow View	"	J. P. Barker
Windfall	"	Elihu Tucker

4 The Convention was permanently arganized by electing Rev. Elihu Tucker chairman and M. M. Blevins secretary.

5 On motion that any brother present from any other church of the association be made a delegate of the convention whereupon R. C. Spence from New Rivev church reported himself and was admitted to a seat in the convention.

6 On motion that the Convention be governed by the rules of order of the Association.

7 Read rules of order of the association.

8 On motion that the Chairman appoint all necessary committees,

9 The chairman appointed the following committee, to wit: (a)On religious exercises, Revs. W. F. Barker, J. M. Neaves M. M. Blevins. (b)Programe for the convention, M. M. Blevins, Revs. W. F. Barker, J. M. Neaves and R. C. Spence, G. A. Eller.

10 On motion adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9:30 a. m. prayer by Rev. J. M. Neaves, benediction by Rev. W. F. Barker.

11 SATURDAY MORNING SESSION.

The Convention met according to adjournment, spent one half hour in devotional exercise conducted by R. C. Spence.

12 The convention was called to order by the Chairman.

13 Read and adopted minutes of yesterday.

14 The Chairman invited visiting brethren to seat with the convention whereupon brethren Newell Stuart from Big Laurel, Rev. J C Blevins, Pleasant Home, R M Burkett, Friendship, H A Eller, Berlin, J H Wagoner and H L Goodman Liberty Hill churches, M M Morris from the Lebanon Association, Prof. R L Plummer and James McMillan from the M. E. church South all reported themselves and were admi.ted to seats in the convention.

15 Read and received letter from Bethel church.

16 Committee on Religious Exercise report preaching at 11 a. m. by Rev. Elihu Tucker.

17 Committee on Program report for discussion by the convention the following subjects to wit; (a) At 10 a. m. What is our Authority for the Sunday school? First speaker Rev. W. F. Barker. (b) At 10:30, What benefits are derived from the Sunday school? First speaker, Rev. J. M. Neaves. (c) At 1 p. m. What is the best course to pursue to obtain a good attendance in Sunday school? First speaker R. C. Spence. (d) Is it right to use the helps and Sunday school literature in Sunday school? First speaker Rev. Elihu Tucker.

18 Took up the subjects for discussion as they stood on the program.

19 11 a. m. the time for preaching having arrived, the discussions became so interesting, preaching was omitted and the discussion continued.

20 12:30 p m adjourned one half hour.

21 1 p m met according to adjournment.

22 The Convention was called to order by the Chairman.

23 Continued the discussions of the subjects as they stood on the program, which were interestingly discussed by the speakers appointed, also M M Morris, H A Eller, Prof, R L Plummer, James McMillan and others.

24 The Chairman appointed J H Wagoner and H A Eller a committee on resolutions.

25 The Chairman appointed M M Blevins, Rev J M Neaves, and J H Wagoner a committee to procure a place and make arrangements for our next Sunday School Convention,

26 REPORT COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

We your committee on resolutions believe that the Sunday School work is closely related to our church work, and that its influence is beneficial to our churches, also to the moral and social lives of our people. Therefore be it resolved, 1st That every church of the Ashe Association organize and maintain a good Sunday School and rep ort same to the next Sunday School convention. Resolved 2nd That the thanks of this convention are tendered to the brethren, sisters and friends of this community for their kind hospitality extended to us during the sitting of this convention. Respectfully submitted—J. H. Wagoner, H. A. Eller, Com

27 On motion that the Clerk prepare a brief report of these proceedings and send it to the Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children and our county papers for publication.

28 Report committee on place and time for next convention. We your committee on place and time for next convention report Jefferson Baptist church, Jefferson, N. C., the place, commencing on Friday before the fifth Sunday in May 1909 at 11 a. m. Further arrangements will be made by the committee and notice given in due time. Respectfully submitted—M. M. Blevins, J. M. Neaves, J. H. Wagoner, Committee.

29 On motion adjourned. Prayer by R. M. Burkett, Benediction by Rev. J. C. Blevins.

Rev. Elihu Tucker, Chairman, M. M. Blevins, Sec.

This convention certainly was a good meeting and we believe much good will be accomplished by it. The Sunday services and communion were conducted by Revs. Tucker and Barker and was admitted to be one that is seldom if ever exclelled.—Secretary.

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Minutes of the

23rd. Annual Session

of the

Ashe Association

Held with Mission Home Baptist Church, Fleetwood, N. C., Oct. 5, 6, 7, 1909.

PROF. J. C. GOODMAN, Moderator.
M. M. BLEVINS, Clerk and Treasurer,

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

H. A. Eller, ... Berlin, N. C.
L. J. Sturgill, ... Parker, N. C.
W. C. Phillipps, ... Beaver Creek, N. C.

MEMBER STATE MISSION BOARD.

James Eller, ... Berlin, N. C.

DELEGATES TO BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

Rev. W. F. Barker, ... Grassy Creek, N. C.
Rev. J. T. Glenn, ... Hemlock, N. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Barker W. F., ... Grassy Creek, N. C.
Blackburn Solomon, ... Crumpler, N. C.
Blevins, J. C., ... Grassy Creek, "
Burkett R. M, ... Theta. "
Campbell N. A., ... Thaxton, "
Carter I. M., ... Grassy Creek, "
Day T. J., ... Warrensville, "
Glenn W. H., ... Glenn, "
Glenn J. T., ... Hemlock, "
Haire, P. H., ... Fleetwood, "
Hart Riley, ... Park, Va.
Henderson G. J., ... Rugby, Va.
Hurley Andy, ... Weasel, N. C.
Neaves J. M., ... Crumpler, "
Osborn W. A., ... Solitude, "
Shoaf R. L., ... Warrensville, "
Stanley J. F., ... Hemlock, "
Trivett J. S., ... Fleetwood, "
Tucker Elihu, ... Grassy Creek, "
Woodruff W. A., ... Oval, "

CONSTITUTION.

Art. 1. This body shall be called the Ashe Association.

Art. 2. The object of this association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the gospel in our bounds and in all the world, and in this work the association will co-operate with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

3. The members of this body shall be all the ordained ministers of the churches of this association and three delegates from each church who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment and giving statistics of the membership and work of the church.

4. At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a moderator, clerk and treasurer in such way as the association may direct. The two last offices may be held by the same brother.

5. The moderator shall preside at the meetings, preserve order, appoint committees and perform such other duties as are required of presiding officers.

6. The clerk shall keep correct record of the proceedings of the body and superintend the printing and distributing to the churches the proceedings of the body.

7. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent to the association, pay them out as the association may direct and make a report to each annual session.

8. The Association shall hold an annual meeting at such time and place as may be agreed upon.

9. At each annual meeting there shall be appointed an Executive committee of three brethren who shall look after the destitutions in the bounds of this association, and co-operate with the State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention making to the next session a report of the work done and of the general State Mi sion work.

10. At each annual session there shall be appointed committees to make reports during the session on the following subjects, to wit: State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Pastoral Support, Ministerial Education, Baptist Orphanage, Periodicals. Temperance, Digest of Church Letters, Finance, Time, Place and Preacher for next Association.

11. Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

12. The association will not receive nor retain in permanent fellowship any church that retains in its fellowship any member who is disorderly in doctrine or practice or who makes sells or in any way deals in ardent spirits as a beverage.

13. This Constitution may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual session.

Abstract of Principles.

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1. We believe in one only true and living God, and that ~~these~~ are three persons in the God head, The Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost and that these three are one.
2. We believe that the Bible the Old and the New Testament is the word of God and the only rule of Faith and Practice.
3. We believe in the impotency of man and the sovereignity of God.
4. We believe that salvation is by grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.
5. We believe that Baptism and the Lords Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ to be practiced only by believers in their scriptural order.
6. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator and that only those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and in doctrine should take the Lord's Supper.
7. We believe in the final perseverance of the saints in grace to glory.
8. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment.
9. We believe that the existence of the righteous and of the wicked will both be of eternal duration and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

Rules of Order.

1. Every session shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2. When the Moderator calls the house to order every member shall at once take his seat.
3. When a member wishes to speak he shall rise and address the Moderator and not proceed till he has been recognized.
4. No member shall speak more than twice on any subject except by permission of the body.
5. No member shall leave the body during the session without permission of the Moderator.
6. It will be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold private conversation while the Moderator is speaking.

Order of Business.

1st. Introductory sermon.
2nd. Roll of churches and enrollment of Delegates.
3rd. Election of officers.
4th. Reception of new churches.
5. Reading Constitution, Abstract of Principles and Rules of Order.
6th. Appointment of committees.
7th. Report of Executive committee.
8th. Report of Associational missionary.
9th. Report of standing committees.
10th. Report of other committees.
11th. Report of Treasurer.
12th. Miscellaneous.

Proceedings.

FLEETWOOD, ASHE CO., N. C.

OCT. 5th, 1909.

1. The Ashe Association met in its Twenty Third Annual session with Mission Home Baptist church at 11 a m.

2. The Introductory sermon was delivered by Rev. W. F. Barker. Text, Isiiah 55th chapter and 3rd verse. "Incline your ear, and come unto me" etc.

Concluded by Rev. Elihu Tucker.

3. Adjourned one hour for refreshments.

TUESDAY EVENING SESSION 1 P. M.

4. Met According to adjournment.

5. The House was called to order by Rev. Elihu Tucker, the Moderator. Singing and prayer by Rev. D. S. Lee.

6. Called roll of churches, thereupon twenty one churches responded and handed in their letters and the following list of delegates were enrolled to wit:

Baptist Home—L. J. Sturgill.
Beaver Creek—J. C. Goodman, R. H. Goodman, J. W. Duncan.
Berlin—J. T. King, H. A. Elller.
Bethel—J. P. Goodman, T. H. Brown, C. W. Phillipps.
Big Flatts—R. A. Goodman, F. C. Church, R. C. Parsons.
Big Laurel—Rev. J. T. Glenn' J. F. Eggers.
Bristol—A. T. 8heets.
Buffalo—T. H. Ray, David Harless.
Brushy Fork—J. M. Rominger.
Clifton—J. G. Miller.
Forest Home—R. F. Johnson
Healing Springs —M. M. Blevins, Hıram Baker.
Jefferson—Felix Barr.
Landmark—Rev. W. F. Barker.
Liberty Hill—Wm. Hudler.
Mission Home—T. J. Church, J. E. Woodruff, D. R. Greer.
New River—J. A. Parsons, James Garvey.
Obids—Geo. W. Brown.
Old Fields—J. R. Johnson, G. A. Eller.
Pleasant Hill—A letter no delegates.

Wind Fall—Rev. Elihu Tucker.

7. On motion: The Association proceeded to permanent organization by private ballot. Rev. Asa Brown from the Three Forks and D. S. Lee from the Caldwell Associations acting as Tellers.

8. Tellers report, for Moderator Prof. J. C. Goodman, for Clerk and Treas. M. M. Blevins.

9. On motion: The report of Tellers was made unanimous and Tellers discharged.

10. The Moderator called for new constituted churches, whereupon Calvary Baptist Church handed in her letter, and on motion was received and her delegates were seated with the body.

11. Read the Constitution, Abstract of Principals and Rules of Order.

12. On motion: The Constitution was amended so as to add a committee to the 10th article of the constitution to report on Pastors Suppport.

13 The Moderator appointed the following named Brethren as Standing Committees in place of absentees who were to report at this session to wit: Foreign Missions, J. W. Duncan, R. H. Goodman, Sunday Schools and Colportage, J. E. Woodruff, Reece Goodman, Ministers Relief, Revs. I. M. Carter, W. F. Barker also on Pastors Support James Garvey, J. P. Goodman.

14. The Moderator gave an invitation to visiting brethren to seat with the body whereopon Revs. Asa Brown of the Three Forks and D. S. Lee of the Caldwell, J. W. Hendrix of the Stony Fork Associations reported themselves, were extended the right hand of welcome by the Moderator and seated with the body.

15. The Moderator appointed present committees to wit:

RELIGIOUS EXERCISES.

Pastor and Delegates of Mission Home church and Rev. Elihu Tucker.

PERIODICALS.

Revs. D. S. Lee J. T. Glenn.

RESOLUTIONS.

Rev. Asa Brown, H. A. Eller.

TIME PLACE AND PREACHER FOR NEXT ASSOCIATION.

J. A. Parsons, Hiram Baker, Rev. W. F. Barker.

FINANCE.

J. R. Johnson, G. A. Eller, Geo. W. Brown.

TO NOMINATE AN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

R. H. Goodman, Robert Johnson, J. M. Rominger.

OBITUARIES.

John Eggers Rev. J. T. Glenn.

16. The Committee on Religious Exercises Report Devotional Exercises tomorrow morning at 9 a. m. to be conducted by Rev. I. M. Carter. Preaching at 11 a. m. by Rev. Elihu Tucker. Conclusion by Rev. D. S. Lee. Preaching at 2, p. m. by Rev. Asa Brown. Preaching at 7, p. m. by Rev. I. C. Miller. Conclusion by Rev. R. M. Burkett.

17. The Moderator further extended the invitation to visiting brethren whereupon Rev. I. C. Miller of the Caldwell Association reported himself and seated with the body.

18. Rev. Arthur Phillipps announced homes for the delegates and visitors of the Association.

19. On motion: Adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 9 a. m. spending one half hour in devotional exercises to be conducted by the appointee Rev. I. M. Carter, prayer by Rev. W. F. Barker. Benediction by Rev. Asa Brown.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION OCT. 6, 9 A. M.

20. The Association met according to adjournment, spent one half hour in devotional exercise by reading part of the 14th chap. of St. John by Rev. J. T. Glenn. Prayer by Revs. I. M. Carter and I. C. Miller.

21. The Association was called to order by the Moderator.

22. Read and adopted the minute of yesterday's proceedings.

23 REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Dear Brethren, Your committee submits the following report of Mission work for the year just closed. According to the will of the Association Rev. Elihu Tucker was employed as missionary, and his report of work is present with you at this time, which gives the amount and character of work done. His health having failed to the extent of rendering him unable to perform constant labor. He has done only a partial year's work and reports the field still as needy as ever and tenders to you his resignation as Missionary which we recommend, seeing this great need and the weak, and destitute condition of our churches we recommend that we in every way possible to us to support this need. First by the election and support of pastors and by co-operation with the State Mission Board.

Submitted

H. A. Eller,
L. J. Sturgill, } Com.
M. M. Blevins.

REPORT OF ASSOCIATICNAL MISSIONARY.

24. Being re-elected for the year 1909, I began the work soon after the last association. My health having failed, I did not do very much work during the winter months. I as-

sisted in some revival meetings in which there were seventy-nine professions, baptized 12 persons, preached 104 sermons, made 180 religious visits, assisted in organizing one new church to wit: Cavary Baptist church. Have visited all the churches except four and find that several churches are not having regular preaching. Some of the churches had elected a pastor but he had failed to attend the church to which he was elected. I supplied them all I could, I find a greater demand for preaching in our bounds than ever before. I have received from the churches that pledged to

Support of this work	$57.11
From individuals who pledge to this work	32.00
Total	$89.11

There are four new churches being built in our association, let us give them all the encouragement we can. With many thanks to the brethren for their support in this work for the past three years, I now tender my resignation as Associational Missionary. Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Elihu Tucker.

A letter from Brushy Fork church was read in connection with the reports of the Executive Committee and Associational Missionary. On motion after being discussed by Rev. E. Tucker, H. A. Eller, L. J. Sturgill, M. M. Blevins, Revs. P. H. Haire and J. T. Glenn. The reports were adopted. And the churches through their delegates were requested to pray for and aid Brushy Fork and other weak churches in their church work.

25. 11 A. M. Rev. E. Tucker retired to the stand for preaching and delivered an able sermon to a large audience text, Revelations 6:6, "See thou hurt not the oil and the wine."

26. On motion, the work of employing an Associational Missionary was vested in the Executive committeee, and that the association procure one hundred dollars for Associational Mission work and that the pastors of each church appoint a committee of three active members of the churches which they attend to collect this amount. Adopted—upon the adoption of this motion the following pledges were made by the Delegates for the churches for Associational Mission work, to wit:

Beaver Creek	$5.00	Forest Home	$2.00
Berlin	5.00	Healing Springs	5.00
Bethel	5.00	Landmark	5.00
Big Laurel	3.00	Liberty Hill	2 00
Bristol	1 00	New River	3.00
Buffalo	2.50	Old Fields	3.00

Total church pledges $41.50

Individual pledges

J. G. Miller..... $1.00 Geo, W. Brown..... $1.00

Total all pledges $43.50.

27. Read and received letter from Friendship church and enrolled Rev R. M. Burkett a delegate.

28. 12:30 P. M. Adjourned till 1 P. M.

WEDNESDAY EVENING SESSION Oct. 6th.

29. 1 P. M. Met according to adjournment, the Association was called to order by the Moderator.

30. On motion that the reports on State, Home and Foreign Missions be read in succession after each other and discussed together. Adopted.

REPORT STATE MISSIONS.

31. All Missions are founded on the great command of our Lord, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." North Carolina is a part of the world, and her people are embraced in every creature, while we speak with pride that every fifth person in our state is a Baptist, yet there is in our state large sections and counties almost that have not the Gospel as Baptist hold it. The object of our State Mission Board is to place the Gospel as we hold it in these destitutions. The Board needs our prayers and our means to carry on this great work. Your committee urges the importance of contributing more liberally to State Missions. Submitted, J. T. Glenn, Com.

REPORT HOME MISSIONS.

The Home Mission Board is doing and has done a great and noble work. It is sending the gospel to places that does not have it and bringing souls to Christ, by its prayers and by its means. No doubt but what we should have done a great deal more to have discharged our duty as God would have had us done. We are the Lord's people and ought to do the Lord's work with a cheerful heart and hand. We ought to read the Bible more, and take the Home Field which is a good paper printed in the interest of Home Missions. We as Baptist people ought to take more interest in our Home Mission work as it is our own work and should be of more interest to us than any other work. Therefore I trust and pray that we will do more for Home Missions in the future than we have done in the past. Submitted

J. T. Ring, Com.

REPORT FOREIGN MISSIONS.

32. The Apostle Paul tells us that Christ is the propitiation not for our sins only but for the sins of the whole world.

Jesus said, And the Gospel of the Kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness to all nations.

The plan of God in the redemption of the human race is human instrumentality. The Gospel must be carried to the nations by men and women upon whose hearts God has laid his work which call for the most heroic sacrifices, our opportunities are enlarging every year. The Macedonian cry is ringing in our ears and our inability to furnish the workers and the means to take care of the fields that are white unto the harvest is a sad comment on our great denomination. One of the greatest needs in our Association is an aroused Missionary conscience. while we are proud of cangratulating ourselves on the great increase in our Foreign Mission offering in the last few years, there ought to be a keen sense of condemnation because we have done so little in proportion to our ability Brethren eight Theological Schools with two hundred and twenty two Missionaries and Three hundred and Thirty eight native helpers and others wanting to go. We ought to give more to Foreign Missions than we ever have before. Brethren let us be faithful to the trust committed to us, let us labor together with Christ that his glory may be declared among the heathens and his wonders among all people.

J. W. Duncan,
R. H. Goodman, } Committee.

On motion the report on State Missions after being discussed by Rev. J. T. Glenn, D. S. Dee, P. H. Haire and I. C. Miller were adopted by the adoption of the reports, State, Home and Foreign Missions. The following pledges were made by the churches through their delegates for State Missions to wit.

Beaver Creek	$8.00	Landmark	$2.00
Berlin	5.00	New River	2.50
Bethel	5.00	Old Fields	2.00
Forest Home	2.00	Windfall	2.00
Healing Springs	5.00		
Total church pledges for State Misssions			$33.50
Collections at Association for State Missions			$ 3.90

33. 2 p. m. Rev. Asa Brown retired to the stand for preaching and delivered a good gospel sermon to the audience, text Hebrews 12th chapter and 1st verse. Wherefore seeing we are compassed about etc.

34. The Moderator appointed a committee to apportion the amount of twenty five dollars the Association is asked to contribute to the Foreign Mission Board that each church should contribute to this cause to wit,

Revs. P. H. Haire, R. M. Burkett and brethren R. H.

Goodman and J. E. Woodruff. The committee thus appointed submitted the following apportionment to wit:

Apple Grove	$1.00	Healing Springs	$2.00
Baptist Home	2.00	Jefferson	1.00
Beaver Creek	2.00	Liberty Hill	.50
Berlin	2.00	Landmark	1.00
Bethel	2.00	Mission Home	1.50
Big Flatts	.50	New River	1.00
Big Laurel	1.50	Obids	1.50
Bristol	.50	Old Fields	1.50
Buffalo	1.00	Peak Valley	.50
Clifton	2.00	Pleasant Hill	.50
Corinth.	.50	Pleasant Home	1.00
Friendship	.50	Wind Fall	1.00
Forest Home	1.00		

and that each church forward amount that is apportioned for them to contribute to the Treasurer of the foreign Mission Board. Richmond Va. on or before the first day of May 1910.

35. It was recommended by the Association that each church take one or more collections for State, Home and Foreign Missions during the insuing year.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

36. Your committee do recommend that we as Baptist adhere strictly to the teachings of God's word on these things and that we practice Temperance in all things, and totally abstain from all intoxicating liquors and that we teach our children and our people the awful consequence of indulging in strong drink, we advise our Baptist people to adhere strictly to the twelfth article of our constitution.

C. W. Phillipps, Com.

On motion after being discussed by Rev. P. H. Haire, Adopted.

REPORT COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS EXERCISE.

37. Your committee report devotional exercise tomorrow morning at 9, a. m. to be conducted by Rev W. F. Barker, Preaching at 11 a. m. by Rev. R. M. Burkett conclusion by Rev. E. Tucker.

38. On motion adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9 a. m. spend one half hour in Devotional Exercise to be conducted by Rev. W. F. Barker, Prayer by Rev. P. H. Haire Benediction by Rev. E. Tucker.

39. 7:30 p. m. The people re-assembled in the church house for preaching Rev. I. C. Miller delivered a very interesting sermon to the audience. Text, Romans 8th chapter and 6th verse. "For to be Carnally minded is death", etc.

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION, OCT. 7. 1909.

40. The association met according to adjournment, spent one-half hour in devotional exercises conducted by Rev. W. F. Barker, reading 23rd Psalm. Prayer by Rev. W. F. Barker and J. T. Glenn.

41. The association was called to order by the Moderator for business.

42. Read and adopted the minute of yesterday.

REPORT ON MINISTERS' RELIEF.

43. There is a fund for aiding old and disabled ministers and their widows. We have some in our association who are receiving aid from this fund. We are doing but little for their support. We ought to do more. Therefore, your committee recommends that the churches take collections for this cause and forward their contributions to Walter Durhum, Treas. Baptist State convention, Raleigh, N. C.

On motion, after being discussed by Rev. W. F. Barker, Asa Brown, P. H. Haire and H. A. Eller, adopted.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

44. One of the greatest needs of the Baptists in this country is a better knowledge of the Bible and our work in general. To understand more thoroughly the teachings of the Bible, the motive of our church and the history of our work, we advise an increased patronage and careful reading of the Biblical Recorder. First, the Recorder gives you the proceedings of the Baptist State Convention. Second, the purpose and true spirit of the Recorder is Biblical—Prov. 22:2—"Have I not written unto thee excellent things in counsel and knowledge." Rev. 1:10—"What thou readest write in a book and send it unto the churches which are in Asia." Thessalonians 5:27—"I charge thee by the Lord that this epistle be read unto all the holy brethren." Rev. 1:3—"Blessed is he that readeth." To be a Baptist is to read the Bible more, also the history of our denomination. Ignorance is our great enemy. We also advise the reading of Charity and Children, Home Field and the Foreign Mission Journal as being worthy of and deserving the patronage of every Baptist. Submitted.—D. S. Lee, Committee.

On motion, after being discussed by Rev. D. S. Lee, H. A. Eller, R. H. Goodman and the Moderator, adopted.

45. REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

There are now nearly four hundred children at the Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville, N. C., who are dependent upon the Baptists of North Carolina for food and clothing. God has highly honored us by placing this work upon our hands. In as much as ye did it unto one of these little ones ye did it

unto me. Therefore, your committee recommends that every church in our association increase its contributions to the institution and that every Sunday School is requested to make monthly contributions to this work.—J. G. Miller, Comm.

On motion, after being discussed by M.M. Blevins, adopted.

46. Upon the adoption of the Report on Orphanage it was recommended by the Association that the churches pursue the same course as they did last year in procuring means for the support of the orphanage. That the pastors of the various churches appoint a committee consisting of three sisters to collect funds for this purpose. A collection was taken for the orphanage at this time amounting to $8.70. Individual pledges, J. M. Hamby, $1.00. R. C. Parsons, 25c.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

47. That we are living in an age of surpassing advancement and of unusual intellectual and material activity no one will deny. Materialism is fast absorbing the best efforts of the human mind in our country today. Lawyers, doctors, teachers and mechanics are striving mightily to exhaust the resources of their various avocations, and at first thought it would seem that the ministry should not lose pace in point of intellectual power with the other avocations and professions of life. But right here we are confronted with an almost insurmountable obstacle. Our ministers are only half paid. This seems to be true in the nation as well as the State and county. If we would aid in the educational uplift of the ministry, then we must double the salaries of ministers and so stop driving away the strongest and fittest young men from the Baptists, as Dr. Clark F. Ahed, New York, says: "But some one says we can't afford to hire men to preach. True enough, indeed, it would be foolish to hire men to preach who are unfit to occupy the sacred desk. On the other hand, when you double the salary of a good man, one called of God to deliver the message of salvation to a lost world, then you have more than doubled his power and influence for good. To men who are not in reach of an academic collegiate training, we think St. Paul's admonition to Timothy, when he says "study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman needeth not be ashamed. Rightly dividing the word of truth is worthy of much consideration." Respectfully submitted.—J. C. Goodman, Comm.

On motion, after being discussed by J.C. Goodman, adopted

48. The Moderator added R. H. Goodman to the committee on Finance.

REPORT ON PASTORAL SUPPORT.

49. We notice from the reading of the letters from the

various churches to the Association that the Pastors receive comparatively nothing, we further notice that several of the churches have no Pastor. In order that we may have more and better pastors, we recommend that our churches do more for Pastoral Support the insuing year than they ever have done before and hold up our Pastors by our Prayers, our means and our presence. If we would do more for our Pastors they would be more able to do more for us and devote more time to the cause.

J. A. Garvey,
J. P. Goodman, } Com.

On motion, after being discussed by Rev. Asa Brown, W. F. Barker, D.S. Lee and brethren J. C. Goodman. H. A. Eller J. G. Miller and T. J. Church. Adopted.

50. 11 a. m. Rev. R. M. Burkett retired to the stand for preaching and delivered an interesting sermon to a large audience. Text Luke, 14th chapter 17th and 18th verses. "And sent his servants at Supper time" etc.

51. Rev. Wm. M. Lee of Stoney Fork Association being recognized by the Moderator was extended the usual invitation of welcome who responded and seated with the body.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND COLPORTAGE.

52. Your committee believes the Sunday School to be an important factor in our work in bringing people to Christ. The Sunday School has not fully come into its own, in its spiritual power. Let us labor together more effectually for the good of the Sunday Schools and for the saving of souls through the Sunday Schools. Your committee recommend that Pastors of the churches do all they can to induce the churches to carry on this work.

Your committee believes that much good could be accomplished in the bounds of our Association through the Colportage work. Brethren our country is flooded with worthless literature which is calculated to draw our people away from God. Therefore we recommend that this Association secure a good energetic man to do Colportage work, that our people may be supplied with wholesome literature.

Respectfully Submitted.
R. M. Burkett, Com.

On Motion after being discussed by M. M. Blevins, H. A. Eller, Revs. P. H. Haire and D. S Lee, Adopted.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

We believe that it is our duty to retain the memory of the dead. Therefore we recommend that any church that has a deceased member who has lived a christian life and been a blessing to the church, that the friends thereof prepare a

short obituary of the deceased members and forward the same to the Clerk for publication in our minutes.

J. T. Glenn,
J. F. Eggers, } Com.

On Motion after being discussed by Rev. J. T. Glenn. Adopted.

REPORT ON PLACE, TIME AND PREACHER FOR NEXT ASSOCIASION-

54. Your committee recommends that the next Association be held with Landmark Baptist church, Grassy Creek, Ashe County, N. C. 9 miles north of Jefferson, commencing on Tuesday after the first Sunday in September 1910. The Introductory sermon to be delivered by Rev. J. T. Glenn at 11 a. m. Alternate Rev. Elihu Tucker.

Your Committee further recommend that Tuesday after the first Sunday in September be the annual stated time for this Association to meet.

Respectfully Submitted.

J. A. Parsons,
Hiram Baker,
W. F. Barker, } Com.

On motion. Adopted,

REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS.

55. Whereas this Aossociation has learned with deep regret of the destitution and unstable condition of some of our churches.

Therefore be it resolved

1st. That we individually and collectively as a body and as churches put forth every effort to relieve this condition.

2nd. That the thanks of this Association are due and tendered to the officers of this body for the efficient and courteous manner in which they have discharged their respective duties during the present session.

3rd. That we return our thanks to the brethren, sisters and friends of the church and community for the liberal and hospitable entertainments furnished us and the many people during this session.

Submitted

Asa Brown,
H. A. Eller, } Com.

On motion. Adopted.

QUERY FROM NEW RIVER CHURCH.

56. On motion, the query from New River Church: What ought a church to do in regard to its members who are scattered from the Atlantic to the Pacific Oceans, who do not attend their church meeting, was taken up and after being discussed by different brethren it was decided by the Associa-

tion that this ~~great~~ question be left with the churches at present.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO VISIT MEADOW VIEW CHURCH.

57. Your Committee visited Meadow View church and found it still alive and in the faith. The Church promised to report to this session of the Association but has failed to do so. Therefore your committee recommend that the Association bear with the church for another year.

Elihu Tucker, Com.

On motion, Adopted.

58. 1 p. m. Adjourned to 1:30 p. m.

THURSDAY EVENING SESSION, OCT. 7th 1909 1:30 P. M.

59. The Association met according to adjournment and was called to order by the Moderator.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE AN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

60. Your Committee nominates for an executive committee H. A. Eller, L. J. Sturgill and C. W. Phillipps.

Submitted.

R. H. Goodmann,
Robert Johnson } Com.
J. M. Rominger

Adopted.

REPORT OF W. F. BARKER DELEGATE TO BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.

61. Failed to go.

REPORT OF VOLUNTEERS TO VISIT SISTER ASSOCIATIONS.

62. Rev. P. H. Haire visited Three Forks Association met a welcome reception and reports a good session of the Association. All other volunteers failed to go.

63. On motion. That the Clerk appoint the Standing Committees to write reports on the Defferent departments of our work for the ensuing year and report to the next Association. Thereupon the following appointments were made. viz:

State Missions,	Rev. P. H. Haire.
Home Missions,	" W. F. Barker.
Foreign Missions	" J. G. Miller.
Ministerial Education,	" J. T. Glenn.
Baptist Orphanage	J. E. Woodruff.
Pastoral Support,	R H. Goodman,
Periodicals,	J. R. Johnson.
Temperance,	I. N. Hudler.
Digest Church letters,	H. A. Eller.

It is important and necessary that these reports be written and be at the next Association, we ask the appointees to write the reports in due time and if they cant be at the Association to mail them to the Clerk at least ten days before the sitting of the Association or send them by some Brother to the Association. Clerk.

64. On motion, that the Clerk be allowed five dollars for his services and necessary expenses for stationary and postage from the minute fund, and that he spend the remainder thereof for printing and distributing Minutes to the churches and other proper places.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

65. Your committee submits the following report.

Received from the churches the following amounts for the different departments of our work, viz:

Associational Missions,	$ 4.50	State Missions,	$10 54
Baptist Orphanage,	5.34	Ministers Relief,	1.34
Minute Fund	14.40		
	Total		$36,12

REPORT OF TREASURER.

66. Rec'd of Finance Com. for Aassociational Miss.		$ 4 50
" " Buffalo church " " "		2.50
" " Corinth " " " "		.50
" " Jefferson " " " "		4.50
" " Hampton Blevins " "		2.00
" " M. M. Blevins for " "		1.00
" " G. A. Eller " " "		1.00
" " H, A. Campbell " " "		1.00
Total.		$17.00
Rec'd of Finance Com. for State Missions		$1054
" " Baptist Home Church " "		3.00
" " Forest Home " " "		2.00
" " Jefferson " " "		2.50
" " Wind Fall " " "		2.00
" " J. E. Woodruff " " "		1.00
" " M. M. Blevins " " "		1,00
" " I. F. Faw " " "		1.00
" " Collection at Association for State Missions		3.90
Total Received for State Missions		$26.94
Rec'd of Pleasant Hill church for Home Missions		$1.00
Total Rec'd for Home Missions.		$1.00
Rec'd of Finance Com. for Baptist Orphanage		$ 5.34
" " Baptist Home Church " " "		.12
" " Buffalo " " " "		1,35
" " Wind Fall " " " "		5.00

Rec'd of Mrs. I. F. Faw	for Baptist Orphanage	.50
" " " " " " son	" " "	.25
" " " " " " daughter	" "	.10
" " Collections at Association	" "	8.70
Total Rec'd for Baptist Orphanage		$21.36
Rec'd of Finance Committee for aged Ministers		$1.34
" " Baptist Home church for Sub. to Chr. & Childr'n		2.00
Rec'd of Finance Committee for Minute fund		$14.40
" " the churches paid to Treas. " "		10.65
Total Rec'd of the " " "		$25.05
Rec'd of Contr. for Ex. Del. to Baptist State Con.		$4.35
Total Rec'd of Contr. for Ex. Del. to Baptist State Con.		$4.35
Total Rec' from all sources.		$99.04

DISBURSEMENT OF TREASURER.

67 Paid Elihu Tucker Associational Missionary	$18.00
" Walters Durham Tres. Baptist State Con. S Miss.	26.94
" " " " " " " H. Miss.	1.00
" " " " " " " Aged Min.	1.34
" W. L. Kesler Supt Baptist Orphanage	21.36
" Subscription to Charity and Children	2.00
" for printing 925 copies Minutes	15.50
" for mailing " "	4.55
Retained for clerical services	5.00
Amount in hand for Delegates to Baptist State Con.	4.35
To tal Disbursements	$100.04

Respect. Submitted
M. M. Blevins, Treasurer.

68. On motion Revs. W. F. Barker and J. T. Glenn were elected Delegates to the Baptist State Convention and a collection was taken for their expenses amounting to $4.35

69. The Moderator called for volunteers to visist sister Associations, thereupon the following named brethren tender their Services viz:

Three Forks, Rev. P. H. Haire.
Stony Fork, F. C. Church, R. A. Goodman.
New River, Rev. E. Tucker, James Garvey, J. A. Parsons.
Alleghany, Revs. E. Tucker, P. H. Haire, C. J. Carter.

70. On motion, adjourned to meet with Landmark Baptist church on Tuesday after the first Sunday in September, 1910. Prayer by Rev. P H. Haire. Benediction by Rev. J. T. Glenn.

J. C. Goodman, Moderator.
M. M. Blevins, Clerk and Treasurer.

Thus closed the 23rd Annual Session of the Ashe Association, we kindly ask every church and every member of the churches

of the Association to fully discharge their duties for the ensuing year and that every church report to the next session by letters and Delegates, thereby we have the promise of God that we will be blessed in so doing.

The brethren, sisters and people in general deserve many thanks for their generous hospitality and good behavior extended to the Association during the sitting of this session.

Clerk.

DELEGATES PRESENT AT ASSOCIATION.

Baptist Home, L. J. Sturgill.
Beaver Creek, R. H. Goodman, J. C. Goodman, J. W. Duncan.
Berlin, J. T. King, H. A. Eller.
Bethel, J. P. Goodman, T. H. Brown, C. W. Phillipps.
Big Flats, Rev. P. H. Haire, F. C. Church, R. A. Goodman, R. C. Parsons.
Big Laurel, Rev, J. T. Glenn, J. F. Eggers.
Bristol, A. T. Sheets.
Buffalo, T. H. Ray, David Harless.
Brushy Fork, J. M. Rominger.
Calvary, Rev. I. M. Carter, C. J. Carter.
Clifton, J. G. Miller.
Forest Home, R. F. Johnson.
Friendship, Rev. R. M. Burkett,
Healing Springs, M. M. Blevins, Hiram Baker.
Jefferson, Felix Barr.
Landmark, Rev W. F. Barker.
Liberty Hill, Wm. Hudler.
Mission Home, T. J. Church, J, E. Woodruff, D. R. Green.
New River, J. A. Parsons, James Garvey.
Obids, Geo. W. Brown.
Old Fields, J. R. Johnson, G. A. Eller, E. E. Phillipps.
Wind Fall, Rev. Elihu Tucker.

The next Sunday School Convention will be held with Bethel Church, commencing on Friday before the fifth Sunday in July 1910. A program will be prepared and the necessary notice given in due time. Every church that belongs to the Ashe Association ought to organize a Sunday School and report to this Convention.

Clerk.

OBITUARY.

Bro. J. J. McLower was born Sept. the 11th 1834. Departed this life April the 1st 1909. Age 74 years 6 months and 20 days. He professed a hope in Christ and joined the Missionary Baptist church about 40 years ago and lived a faithful consistant member of the same till his death. He was always at his place in his church and ready to aid in counsel for the good of the cause for his Heavenly Master. We miss him in the family and social circle,we miss him in the Bristol Baptist Church, as he stood at the head of the church and was recognized as her great counselor, we visited him during his last illness and always found him resigned to the will of his Heavenly Father, we feel assured that our loss is his eternal gain.

Respectfully Submitted
J. A. Calloway.

TABLE I—Financial.
Churches marked † reported by letter.
Those marked * did not report.

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary	Building & Repairing	Incidentals	S. S. Expenses	The Poor	Associational Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Sunday S. Missions	Orphanage	Colleges and Schools	Ministerial Education	Aged Ministers	Minute Fund	Other objects	Totals
*Apple Grove																	
Baptist Home	37 45		2 75	4 00		9 00	3 00				12				75	2 00	57 07
Beaver Creek	22 15			2 65		7 50	20 00			2 83	16 63				1 00		72 76
Berlin	27 31	12 50		2 00	4 00		8 65	2 42	5 07		4 00				1 70		67 65
Bethel	45 81			2 00		2 50	5 00								1 25		56 56
Big Flatts	11 55	250 00		1 00		1 25					84				50		265 14
Big Laurel	76 75														50		27 25
Bristol															60		60
Buffalo	16 07					2 50					1 35				75		20 67
Brushy Fork	6 00			12 00		5 00									60	9 00	32 60
Calvary	6 00					5 00									1 00		12 00
Clifton	34 91	47 51	13 93	2 30		1 30					3 10				1 00		104 05
†Corinth						50					50				1 30		2 30
Friendship	20 73	250 00													1 00		271 73
Forest Home	20 42				2 00	2 00	2 00				3 00				75	1 25	30 17
Healing Springs	22 03	2 00		1 50	7 50	2 50	3 50				10 00				1 25		51 23
Jefferson	4 11					5 00	2 50								75		12 36
Landmark				2 00		2 10					2 25				2 00		8 35
Liberty Hill		250 00	1 00			10 00									1 00		262 00
*Long Branch															50		50
*Meadow View															50		50
Mission Home	49 70	10 00	4 00	1 50			1 00	1 90			1 97			1 90	80		72 77
*Mountain View																	
New River															1 00		1 00
Obids	31 55			87		1 55					50		13 50		1 05		49 02
Oldfields	15 75			3 00			4 54				4 75			1 34	1 00		30 38
*Peak Valley																	
†Pleasant Hill	12 93	20 00				75		1 00							75		35 43
Pleasant Home	24 05			4 50			2 00				4 50				1 00		36 05
Windfall	10 75					5 00	2 00				5 00				75		23 50
*Zion Hill																	
Totals	446.02	842.01	21.68	39.32	13 25	63.45	54.19	5.32	5.07	2.83	58.51		13.50	3.24	25.05	12.25	1605,69

TABLE II—SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

CHURCHES.	SUPTS.	P. O.		Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Total enrollment.	Number of Schools.	Volumes in Library.	Quarterlies Taken.	Months Kept open.	Average Attendance.	Number of Baptisms.	Benevolent Contributions	School Expenses.	Total Contributions.
Baptist Home	J. W. Woodruff	Parker	N. C.	6	40	46	1		40	6	35			4.00	4.00
Beaver Creek	R. H. Goodman	Beaver Creek	" "	6	57	63	1			6	27		283	2.65	5.48
Berlin	J. T King.	Berlin	" "	3	47	50	1		39					2.00	2.00
Bethel	Wm. Johnson	Nettle Knob	" "	5	40	45	1		24	6	25			2.00	2.00
Big Flatts	R. C. Parsons	Fleetwood	" "	6	70	76	1		34	6	22			1.00	1.00
Brushy Fork	J. M. Rominger	Trade	Tenn.	7	60	67	1		60	3	50			12.00	12.00
Clifton	J. G. Miller	Clifton	N. C.	5	40	45	1		40	6	30			2.30	2.30
Corinth	J. F. Plummer	Volney	Va	5	50	55	1			6	55				
Healing Springs	Hampton Blevins	Crumpler	N. C.	5	35	40	1			9	24			2.50	2.50
Landmark	J. E. Phipps	Grassy Creek	" "	4	61	65	1		36	11	40			2.00	2.00
Mission Home	J. E. Woodruff	Fleetwood	" "	9	94	103	1		24	6	63			1.50	1.50
Obids	D. H. Burguess	Obids	" "	7	60	67	1			6	60			.87	87
Old Fields	J. F. Blackburn	Idlewild	" "	7	100	107	1		32	6	40			3.00	3.00
Pleasant Hill	A. L. Stamper	Park	Va.	5	48	53	1			5	30				
Pleasant Home	I. W. Handy	Grassy Creek	N. C.	6	81	91	1		120	8	34			4.50	4.50
Totals				86	887	973	15		349	91	535		2.83	40.32	43,15

Table III-Statistical.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS, POST OFFICES	CLERKS, POST OFFICES	Preaching—Sunday—	Value of Church Property	Seating Capacity—	Baptized —	Received by Letter -	Restored -	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded - -	Died - -	Number of Males -	Numbe of Females	Total Membership -
xApple Grove		A. Pruitt, Park, Va.	2	500	400							20	56	76
Baptist Home	Mickael Tracy. N.C.	L. J. Sturgill, Parker, N. C	3	400	300	9		2			1	29	38	67
Beaver Creek	B rown, River Side, " "	J. L. Goodman, Beaver Creek, " "	3	300	400	4	3				1	27	30	57
Berlin	. Haire, Fleetwood, " "	H. A. Eller, Berlin, " "		100	200	3		1	6			16	17	33
Bethel	J. T. Glenn, Hemlock, " "	C. W. Phillipps, Beaver Creek, " "	2	500	300	17	1	2	3		1	45	57	102
Big Flats	B. F. Wilcox, McGuire, " "	W. L. Church, Fleetwood, " "	2	250	300							10	22	32
Big La el	J. T. Glenn, Hemlock " "	W. B. Taylor, Hemlock, " "	4	400	200	1			8			22	37	59
Bristol	R. M. Burkett, Theta. " "	A T Sheets, Jefferson, " "	2	150	200			1	6		1	15	34	49
Bufialo	P. H. Haire, Fleetwood, " "	T H Ray Tree Top, " "	4	400	300						1	23	52	75
Brushy Fork	Wm. Swift, Reece " "	J M Rominger, Trade Tenn	1	500	400					4	2	12	11	23
Calvary	I. M. Carter. Grassy Creek " "	W E Hudler, Grassy Creek, N C	1	25		5	11	2	1			8	9	17
Clifton	P. H. Haire, Fleetwood, " "	J G Miller, Clifton. " "	2	40	300	18	3		2	1		31	42	73
Corinth	G. J. Henderson Rugby, Va.	J F Plummer, Volney, Va.	2	500	500	8		1		11		32	52	84
Forest Home	P. H. Haire, Fleetwood N. C	W A Johnson, Jefferson N C		200	500		1				1	12	12	24
Friendship	W. F. Barker, Grassy Creek " "	E F Marsh, Theta, " "	4	250	300	3			5	1		24	56	80
Healing Springs	W. F. Barker, " " " "	I N Hudler, Crumpler, " "	1	500	400				15	7		27	48	75
Jefferson	Elihu Tucker. " " " "	W L Luther, Jefferson, " "	1	400	300	2	2		1			20	15	35
Landmark	W. F. Barker, " " " "	L M Brinegar, Grassy Creek " "	4	300	300		1		3		1	51	84	135
Liberty Hill	Elihu Tucker, " " " "	J H Wagoner, Nathans Creek " "	3	250	300	2	8					10	18	28
xLong Branch		J G Welch. Eddison, " "										13	13	26
xMeadow View	David Blackburn, " " " "	Joe Reedy, Grassy Creek, " "	1	200	200							10	13	23
Mission Home	J. T. Glenn, Fleetwood " "	A D Phillipps Fleetwood, " "	1	640	400	4	3		3		1	33	55	88
xMountain V ew		Walter Davis, Grayson, " "	2									5	18	23
New Rever		M W Blevins, Weaversford. " "	3	500	400				1			33	65	98
Obids	W, F. Carlton, Wilkesboro, " "	H M Brown, Obids, " "	4	400	400	2			1			29	45	74
Old Fie d	Wm. M. Lee, Summit. " "	H M Blackburn, Summit, " "	4	500	300							34	50	84
xPeak Valley		W H Tyree Dyson, " "	1	325	325							11	30	41
Pleasant Hill	Andrew Blevins, Konnorock. Va.	A L Stamper, Park, Va	4	500	300				3			9	11	20
Pleasant Home	W. F. Barker, Grassy Creek, N. C,	W R Lovelace, Grassy Creek, N C	2	400	200	3						28	46	74
Wind Fall	W. F. Barker, " " " "	J A Wagoner, Weasel, " "	4	400	300							13	17	30
xZion Hill		W H Sheets, Index, " "	2									3	6	9
Totals						81	33	9	58	24	10	655	1059	1714

he churches marked thus x did not make any report. Other blanks were not reported.

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DIRECTORY OF THE ASHE ASSOCIATION.

Officers:

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JAMES ELLER, Vice President ..... Berlin, "
M. M. BLEVINS, Clerk and Treasurer ..... Crumpler, "

Executive Committee:

H. A. ELLER ..... Berlin, N. C.
L. J. STURGILL ..... Parker, "
J. R. JOHNSTON ..... Summit, "

State Mission Board:

H. A. ELLER ..... Berlin, N. C.

Ordained Ministers:

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Blackburn, Solomon ..... Crumpler, "
Blackburn, David ..... Rugby, "
Blevins, J. C. ..... Grassy Creek, "
Burkett, R. M. ..... Theta, "
Campbell, N. A. ..... Thaxton, "
Carter, I. M. ..... Grassy Creek, "
Day, T. J. ..... Warrensville, "
Glenn, W. H. ..... Glenn, "
Glenn, J. T. ..... Hemlock, "
Haire, P. H. ..... Fleetwood, "
Hart, Riley ..... Park, Va.
Hayes, T. M. ..... Nathans Creek, N.C.
Houck, Joseph ..... Beaver Creek, "
Hurley, Andrew ..... Weasel, "
Neaves, J. M. ..... Crumpler, "
Osborne, W. A. ..... Solitude, "
Shoaf, R. L. ..... Warrensville, "
Stanley, J. F. ..... Hemlock, "
Trivett, J. S. ..... Fleetwood, "
Tucker, Elihu ..... Grassy Creek, "
Woodruff, W. A. ..... Oval, "

Licentiate:

J. M. Hamby ..... Crumpler, N. C

CONSTITUTION.

Art. 1. This body shall be called the Ashe Association.

2. The object of this association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the gospel in our bounds and in all the world, and in this work the association will co-operate with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

3. The members of this body shall be all the ordained ministers of the churches of this association and three delegates from each church who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment and giving statistics of the membership and work of the church.

4. At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a moderator, clerk and treasurer in such way as the association may direct. The two last offices may be held by the same brother.

5. The moderator shall preside at the meetings, preserve order, appoint committees and perform such other duties as are required of presiding officers.

6. The clerk shall keep correct record of the proceedings of the body and superintend the printing and distributing to the churches the proceedings of the body.

7. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent to the association, pay them out as the association may direct and make a report to each annual session.

8. The Association shall hold an annual meeting at such time and place as may be agreed upon.

9. At each annual meeting there shall be appointed an Executive committee of three brethren who shall look after the destitutions in the bounds of this association, and co-operate with the State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention making to the next session a report of the work done and of the general State Mission work.

10. At each annual session there shall be appointed committees to make reports during the session on the following subjects, to-wit: State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Pastoral Support, Ministerial Education, Baptist Orphanage, Periodicals, Temperance, Digest of Church Letters, Finance, Time, Place and Preacher for next Association.

11. Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

12. The Association will not receive nor retain in permanent fellowship any church that retains in its fellowship any member who is disorderly in doctrine or practice or who makes, sells or in any way deals in ardent spirits as a beverage.

13. This Constitution may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual session.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES.

1. We believe in one only true and living God, and that there are three persons in the God head, The Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost and that these three are one.

2. We believe that the Bible the Old and the New Testament is the word of God and the only rule of Faith and Practice.

3. We believe in the impotency of man and the sovereignity of God.

4. We believe that salvation is by grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ to be practiced only by believers in their scriptural order.

6. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator and that only those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and in doctrine should take the Lord's Supper.

7. We believe in the final perseverance of the saints in grace to glory.

8. We believe in the resurrectiou of the dead and a general judgment.

9. We believe that the existence of the righteous and of the wicked will both be of eternal duration and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. Every session shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. When the Moderator calls the house to order every member shall at once take his seat.

3. When a member wishes to speak he shall rise and address the Moderator and not proceed till he has been recognized.

4. No member shall speak more than twice on any subject except by permission of the body.

5. No member shall leave the body during the session without permission of the Moderator.

6. It will be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold private conversation while the Moderator is speaking.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1st. Introductory sermon.
2nd. Roll of churches and enrollment of Delegates.
3rd. Election of officers.
4th. Reception of new churches.
5th. Reading Constitution, Abstract of Principles and Rules of Order.
6th. Appointment of committees.
7th. Report of Executive committee.
8th. Report of Associational missionary.
9th. Report of standing committees.
10th. Report of other committees.
11th. Report of Treasurer.
12th Miscellaneous.

PROCEEDINGS.

Grassy Creek, Ashe County, N. C., Sept. 6, 1910.

1. The Ashe Association met in its twenty-fourth annual Session with Landmark Baptist Church at 11 A. M.

2. The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Rev. J. T. Glenn. Text, 2nd Timothy the 2nd chapter and 20th verse: "But in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and of silver," etc. Concluded by Rev. Elihu Tucker. Prayer by R. C. Spence.

3. Adjourned to meet at 1 P. M.

Tuesday Evening Session, Sept. 6.

4. 1 P. M. Met according to adjournment.

5. The Association was called to order by the Moderator, Prof. J. C. Goodman.

6. Singing by the choir, prayer by Rev. J. C. Blevins.

7. Rev. P. H. Haire was appointed to preach in the grove at 2 P. M., Rev. T. M. Hayes to conclude.

8. Called roll of churches, thereupon twenty-nine churches responded and handed in their letters which were read by the Clerk assisted by J. W. Duncan and enrolled the names of the messengers representing the various churches, whose names will appear on another page.

9. Windfall church also responded to the roll call of church through her members, Rev. Elihu Tucker, J. W. Tucker and James Wagoner, not having any letter as authorized list of messengers. Therefore on motion Windfall church was allowed representation in the Association, and the afore named Brethren were seated as her messengers.

10. On motion the former rules were suspended, and the Moderator called for new constituted churches. Thereupon Bald Mountain Baptist church responded and handed in her letter, which was read, and her messengers were interrogated upon the abstract of principles, whose answers were satisfactory to the Association.

11. On motion Bald Mountain church was received as a member of the Association, her messengers were extended the hand of welcome and fellowship by the Association through the Moderator and seated with the body.

12. On motion that the Association proceed to permanent organization by electing her offices by acclamation. Thereupon Prof. J. C. Goodman was elected Moderator, and M. M. Blevins Clerk and Treasurer.

13. Read Constitution, Abstract of Principles, rules of order and order of business.

14. The Moderator called for visiting brethren, no response thereto.

15. The Moderator appointed A. H. Church a committee on Pastoral Support and M. F. Jones a committee on Temperance in place of former appointees, who were absent and had sent in no reports on these subjects.

17. The Moderator further appointed the following committees, to-wit;

RELIGIOUS EXERCISE—Pastor and messengers of Landmark church towit: Rev. J. C. Blevins, Rev. W. F. Barker, D. M. Brooks, Jackson Stuart, F. M. Eller and E. C. Eller, of Berlin church.

FINANCE—J. T. Garvey, J. A. Parsons, W. R. Lovelace and J. R. Johnston.

TO NOMINATE AN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—S. A. Campbell, T. F. Ray, Rev. J. M. Neaves.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND COLPORTAGE—Rev. T. M. Hayes, Rev. J. C. Blevins, David Harless.

OBITUARY—Sidney Tucker, Robert Lewis, Rev. J. T. Glenn.

PLACE AND PREACHER FOR NEXT ASSOCIATION—M. M. Blevins, J. F. Plummer, Geo. W. Brown.

RESOLUTIONS—Rev. Elihu Tucker, J. W. Duncan, J. H. Wagoner.

18. On motion that the Moderator appoint a committee of three Brethren to select a historian for the Association. Therefore the Moderator appointed for this committee, J. P. Goodman, L. J. Sturgill, Rev. P. H. Haire.

REPORT COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS EXERCISE—We your committee report devotional exercise for tomorrow morning at 9 A. M., to be conducted by Rev. J. M. Neaves, preaching in the Grove at 11 A. M., by Rev. R. M. Burkett, preaching at 2 P. M., by Rev. J. C. Blevins to be concluded by Rev. W. F. Barker.

Respectfully submitted,
Jackson Stuart,
J. C. Blevins,
D. W. Brooks,
F. M. Eller,
E. C. Eller,
Committee.

20. Rev. W. F. Barker announced homes for the messengers and visitors.

21. On motion adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 9 A. M., prayer by Rev. W. F. Barker. Benediction by Rev. J. M. Neaves.

WEDNESDAY ~~EVENING~~ morning SESSION, Sept. 7, 9 A. M.

22. The Association met according to adjournment. Spent one-half hour in devotional exercises, conducted by Rev. J. T. Glenn, in place of appointee, who was absent, by reading 116th Psalm. Prayer by Rev. J. C. Blevins.

23. The Association was called to order by the Moderator.

24. Read and adopted minutes of Tuesday's proceedings.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

25. We regret the small amount of Mission work done during the Associational year just ending, when so much was needed to be done. Your Committee expended all the means furnished us for Mission work, at two points, viz: Brushy Fork and Long Branch. Elder P. H. Haire began work at Brushy Fork church in October last, and labored with this church for three months, and was forced to stop the same there in consequence of active opposition which locked the door of the church. The outlook at this place is hopeful, if our people can gain control of the house of worship, which is in litigation. We recommend that the Association give material aid to the Brethren at this place to help them to defend their rights in court. The Brethren at this place paid Elder Haire $6.25 and the Executive committee supplemented it with $5.75, making a total of $12.00. Elder P. H. Haire began work at Long Branch church early in December 1909, and has preached there monthly to the present time, and held a meeting of fifteen days during the winter, in which forty persons professed a hope in Christ. Fifteen were added to the church. The present condition and outlook at this place is encouraging, the erecting of a house of worship is contemplated in the near future. This place paid Brother Haire $15.00 for his labor, and the Executive committee paid him about the same, which is all that has come into our hands, making about $21.00 collected and expended on the entire field. Your committee regrets exceedingly to report so little done when so much is needed to be done, we think however that the small means furnished us, was spent to as good a purpose as could have been under the existing circumstances. We recommend and urge this Association to provide means with which to do more during the next year. We ask that all our people take interest in and pray for the success of this work, and the rebuilding of all our churches, and we urge our ministers to aid in strengthening our weak, and struggling churches.

Submitted,
H. A. Eller,
L. J. Sturgill,
Committee.

On motion, after being discussed by H. A. Eller, Rev. P. H. Haire, L. J. Sturgill, M. M. Blevins, Rev. Elihu Tucker, J. C. Blevins and J. D. Baker, adopted and a collection was taken for the benefit of Brushy Fork church, amounting to $7.50, provided the same could be used beneficially for Brushy Fork church, otherwise said amount to be used as Associational Mission funds. Adopted.

On motion after being discussed by J. D. Baker, L. J. Sturgill, James Eller, Rev. J. M. Neaves and J. C. Goodman. Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HISTORIAN.

33. Your committee selects and recommends for Historian, James Eller.

J. P. Goodman,
L. J. Sturgill,
P. H. Haire,
Committee.

On motion adopted.

REPORT COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS EXERCISES.

34. Your committee report devotional exercise tomorrow morning at 9 A M., to be conducted by Rev. T. M. Hayes, preaching at 11 A. M., by Rev. P. H. Haire, to be concluded by Rev. Elihu Tucker.

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. Blevins,
D. M. Brooks,
Jackson Stuart,
F. M. Eller,
E. C. Eller,
Committee.

On motion adopted.

35. On motion adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 9 A. M. Prayer by Rev. J. A. Callaway. Benediction by Rev. R. M. Burkett.

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION, Sept. 8th.

36. The Association met according to adjournment. Spent one half hour in devotional exercises, conducted by Rev. T. M. Hayes reading the 15th chapter St. John, prayer by James Sexton and T. M. Hayes.

37. The Association was called to order by the Moderator.

38. Read and adopted minute Wednesday proceedings.

39. The Moderator extended the invitation to visiting Brethren. Thereupon Rev. Monroe Elliott, M. C. Powers and James Sexton, of the Mountain Union Association reported themselves, were extended the hand of welcome by the Moderator and seated with the body.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

40. We are today living in an unusual intellectual progressive age, and an age of literature and learning. It seems that men of every avocation of life are striving for an education. Shall our ministers be left behind? If they are not to be, then we must come to their assistance. The old idea that God will place the words he would have preached in his servant's mouth has passed away. Therefore to be able to preach, a man must be Educated. He must

be able to understand and command language suitable to every occasion. Hence it is highly necessary that we assist God's servants in every way possible. We see a great need of more ministers Thousands of souls are dying yearly without Christ. Then it is high time that we are preparing more ministers and loosening their hands and sending them out to Christianize the world. Respectfully submitted,

J. T. Glenn, Committee.

On motion after being discussed by Rev. P. H. Haire, H. A. Eller. Adopted.

REPORT ON MINISTERS RELIEF.

41. There being no committee on ministers relief, on motion the following report of last was read, to-wit: There is a fund to aid the old and disabled ministers and their widows. We have some in our Association who are receiving aid from this fund, we are doing but little for their support. We ought to do more, therefore your committee recommends that the churches take collections for this cause and forward their contributions to Walter Durham, Treasurer, Baptist State Convention, Releigh. N. C After being discussed, Rev. P. H. Haire, H. A. Eller and M. M. Blevins, adopted.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

42. There are about four hundred children at Thomasville Orphanage, who are entirely dependent upon us for their daily support. God has highly honored us in placing this work in our hands. Christ said while on earth, inasmuch as ye did it unto one of these little ones, ye did it unto me. Therefore your committee recommends that every church in the Ashe Association contribute a liberal part of their bounty, that God has blessed them with, to the support of these little ones. Respectfully submitted,

J. E. Woodruff, Committee.

At the close of the reading of this report Floyd Best, a late inmate of the Orphanage, but who has a home with James Eller, was introduced to the Association, who gave a talk and was closely interrogated concerning the inmates and workings of the Orphanage, which was much appreciated by all who heard him.

On motion the report after being discussed by M. M. Blevins, L. J. Sturgill and T. F. Ray was adopted. Upon the adoption of this report it was recommended by the Association that the pastors of the various churches appoint a committee of three sisters of each church, to collect funds for the Orphanage. Thereupon Brother T. F. Ray, who is one of the best friends to the Orphan children, and the Orphanage made an earnest appeal to the Association and the congregation in general for aid for the Orphanage, and the Moderator also made an appeal to the Association for aid for Mrs. Ida Hurley, who was almost burned to death in the spring, and who is still in a critical

condition and needy circumstances. Upon these appeals a collection was taken for each object. Brethren T. F. Ray and Floyd Best being appointed to receive the same, which resulted in a collection for the Orphanage to $16.11; subscription to Charity and Children, $2.00; collection for Mrs. Ida Hurley, $15.91.

43. 11 A. M., Rev. P. H. Haire and Elihu Tucker retired to the Grove for preaching.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOL AND COLPORTAGE.

44. The Sunday school has been the means of bringing many souls to Christ. We believe that the Sunday school is a Scriptural Institution. Therefore we recommend that all the officers and members of the Association do all in their power to have the Sunday school work carried on in their respective churches for the ensuing year. Your committee has been informed that Rev. Jesse Hamby has been doing some colportage work, and has sold over three hundred copies of bibles, testaments and other religious books in the bounds of the Association. Committee recommends that the Association endorse his work and that he be appointed colporter for the ensuing year.

Respectfully submitted,
T. M. Hayes,
J. C. Blevins,
David Harless,
Committee.

On motion adopted.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

45. One of the greatest needs of the Baptists in this country, is a better knowledge of the Bible, and our work in general. To understand more thoroughly the teachings of the Bible, the motive of our church and the history of our work, we advise an increased patronage and careful reading of the Biblical Recorder.

First, the Recorder gives you the proceedings of the Baptist State Convention and the workings of the Baptists throughout the state.

Second, the purpose and true spirit of the Recorder is Biblical. To be a Baptist is to read the Bible more, also the history of our denomination. Ignorance is our great enemy. Wealso advise the reading of Charity and Children. Home Field and the Foreign Mission Journal as being worthy of and deserving the patronage of every Bapt'st.

Respectfully submitted,
J. R. Johnston, Committee.

On motion adopted.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

46. The lives of our faithful ones have been a blessing to us. Therefore your committee recommends that churches prepare a short obituary of their deceased members, and present it to the Clerk of our Association for publication in our minutes.

Respectfully submitted,
J. T. Glenn,
Sidney Tucker,
Robert Lewis,
Committee,

On motion adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE AN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

47. Your committee nominates for an Executive committee, H. A. Eller, L. J. Sturgill, J. R. Johnston. Respectfully submitted,

J. M. Neaves,
S. A. Campbell,
Committee.

On motion rdopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLACE, TIME AND PREACHER FOR NEXT ASSOCIATION.

48. Your committee report place for next Association, Healing Springs church, Crumpler, N. C., ten miles North East of Jefferson. To commence on Tuesday after the first Sunday in September, 1911. The Introductory sermon to be delivered by Rev. Elihu Tucker at 11 o'clock A. M. Alternate, Rev. Joseph Houck. Respectfully submitted,

M. M. Blevins,
J. F. Plummer,
G. W. Brown,
Committee.

On motion adopted.

49. The Moderator authorized and directed the Clerk to appoint the committees for the ensuing year, to write reports on the different departments of work and report to the next session of the Association. Thereupon the following appointments were made to-wit:

State Missions—T. F. Ray; Home Missions—J. H. Wagoner; Foreign Missions—James Eller; Baptist Orphanage—J. D. Baker; Periodicals—W. F. Barker; Ministerial Education—J. W. Duncan; Pastoral Support—J. P. Goodman; Temperance—J. R. Johnston.

REPORT COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

50. Whereas this committee after hearing the letters from the various churches read, realizes the fact that the pastors thereof are poorly remunerated for their services. Therefore we recommend, and be it resolved,

1st. That the remuneration of the pastors be increased fifty per cent. so that they may be more able to devote more time to the cause, and that the Deacons of the different churches should awake to their duty in looking after this matter.

2nd. That the thanks of this Association are due and are hereby tendered to the officers of this body for the faithful, courteous manner in which they have discharged their respective duties during the sitting of this session of the Association.

3rd. That we as a body tender our heartfelt thanks to the Brethren and friends of this church and community in general, for the liberal and hospitable entertainments they have given us, and the many people during the sitting of this Association. Respectfully submitted,

Elihu Tucker,
J. H. Wagoner,
J. W. Duncan,
Committee.

On motion adopted.

51. Elected Rev. W. F. Barker a messenger to the Baptist State Convention.

52. Brethren L. J. Sturgill and H. C. Poe volunteered to go as visitors to the next session of the Three Forks Association.

53. On motion that the Clerk be allowed five dollars from the Minute fund for his services, and that he spend the remainder thereof for printing and distributing minutes to the churches and other proper places. Adopted. Upon the adoption of this motion, a collection was taken amounting to $2.00, which was added to the allowance made to the Clerk, for his services.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

54. Your committee submits the following report: Receiving from the various churches the following amounts for the different departments of our work, to-wit:

Associational Missions,	$ .55
State Missions	22.86
Home Missions	4.36
Foreign Missions	1.52
Baptist Orphanage	13.95
Ministers Relief	3.50
Minute Fund	25.35
Total	$ 72.09

J. T. Garvey,
J. A. Parsons,
W. R. Lovelace,
J. R. Johnston,
Committee.

On motion adopted.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

RECEIPTS.

55. Received of	Finance Committee for Associational Missions,	$ .55
"	" W. F. Reys and wife, pledge for Meadow church for 1910.	2.00
"	" J. J. S. Denny, pledge for Mountain View church for 1910.	1.00
"	Contributions from the Association for Brushy Fork church if necessary, otherwise to be used for Associational Missions,	7.50
Total		$11.05
Received of	Finance Committee for State Missions	$ 22.86
"	" Healing Springs church " " "	3.00
Total "	" " "	$ 25.86
"	" Finance Committee " Home "	4.36
Total "	" " "	$ 4.36
"	" Finance " " Foreign "	1.52
Total "	" " "	$ 1.52

	Received of Finance Committee for Ministers relief	3.50
Total	" " " "	$ 3.50
	Received of Finance Committee for Baptist Orphanage	$ 13.95
	" Collection at Association " " "	16.11
	" " Forest Home church " " "	1.00
	" " Healing Springs " " " "	1.40
	" " Windfall " " " " "	1.00
Total	" " " "	$ 33.46
	" Subscriptions to Charity and Children	2.00
Total	" " " " " "	$2.00
	" Collection at Association for Mrs. Ida Hurley	15.91
Total	" " " "	$ 15.91
	" of Finance Committee " Minute Fund	25.35
	" " Jefferson church " " "	.60
	" " Healing Springs church " " "	1.22
Total	" " "	$ 27.20
	" Supplementary contribution for Clerk	2.00
Total	" "	$2.00
	" " W. H. Worth for Messenger Baptist State Convention	1.00
	" " M. M. Blevins " " " " "	.50
	" " T. F. Ray " " " " "	.34
	" " Rev. P. H. Haire " " " "	.25
	" " Treasurer for 1909 " " " "	4.35
Total	" " " " "	$ 6.44
Total	" From all sources	$ 133.30

DISBURSEMENTS OF TREASURER.

56.	Paid H. A. Eller Ch'm. Ex. Com. Associational Missions	$ 11.05
	" Walters Durham, Treas. Baptist Convention State "	25.86
	" " " " " " Home "	4.36
	" " " " " " Foreign "	1.52
	" " " " " " Ministers Relief	3.50
	" M L. Kesler, Supt. Baptist Orphanage	33.46
	" Subscription to Charity and Children	2.00
	" Elihu Tucker for Mrs. Ida Hurley	15.91
	" Retained for Clerical Services	5.00
	" for Printing 800 copies of Minutes	20.00
	" " Postage mailing "	4.20
	In Treasury for Messenger to Baptist State Convention	6.44
	" Total disbursements	$ 133.30

Respectfully submitted,

M. M. BLEVINS, Treas.

57. On motion adjourned to meet with Healing Springs Baptist church on Tuesday after the first Sunday in September, 1911. Prayer by Rev P. H. Haire, benediction by Rev. Elihu Tucker.

Prof. J. C. GOODMAN, Moderator.

M. M. BLEVINS, Clerk.

MESSENGERS PRESENT AT THE ASSOCIATION.

Apple Grove—Sidney Tucker, Harvey Clark.
Ball Mountain—J. W. Duncan, W. E. Carlton, C. E. Houck.
Baptist Home—Robert Lewis, L. J. Sturgill, M. Sturgill.
Beaver Creek—J. C. Goodman, J. T. Garvey, T. F. Ray.
Berlin—M. F. Jones, E. C. Eller, James Eller.
Bethel—T. H. Brown, J. P. Goodman, J. D. Baker.
Big Flatts—P. H. Haire, G. T. Greer, W. G. Blackburn, R. A. Goodman.
Big Laurel—J. T. Glenn, W. B. Taylor.
Bristol—L. F. McLower.
Brushy Fork.
Buffalo—E. D. Harless.
Calvary—D. T. Jones, C. J. Carter, W. R. Blackburn.
Clifton—J. A. Parsons.
Corinth—David Blackburn, J. F. Plummer, I. P. Barker.
Forest Home—H. C. Poe, W. A. Johnson.
Friendship—R. M. Burkett, W. W. Burkett, E. F. Marsh, W. S. Shatley.
Healing Springs—J. M. Neaves, M. M. Blevins, M. D. Blackburn, H. Baker.
Jefferson—C. M. Graybeal, C. A. Campbell, Felix Barr.
Landmark—W. F. Barker, D. M. Brooks, F. M. Eller, Jackson Stuart.
Liberty Hill—T. M. Hays, J. H. Wagoner, H. L. Goodman, A. M. Dixon.
Long Branch—Monroe Welch, Joseph Gilley, David Welch.
Meadow View—W. F. Reys, C. L. Gaultney.
Mission Home—J. E. Woodruff, J. E. Pope.
Mountain View—J. J. S. Denney.
New River—W. F. Phipps, G. W. Phillips, John Deboard.
Obids—G. W. Brown, J. C. Parsons.
Old Fields—A. H. Church, J. R. Johnston.
Peak Valley.
Pleasant Hill—Nelson Wyatt, Granville Wyatt.
Pleasant Home—J. C. Blevins, W. R. Lovelace, Owen Blevins, L. D. Barker.
Windfall—Elihu Tucker, J. W. Tucker, James Wagoner.
Zion Hill—W. H. Sheets, Jesse Lyall.

TABLE NO. 1—FINANCIAL.

CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary.	Building and Repairing.	Incidentals.	Sunday S. Expenses.	The Poor.	Association Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Sunday School Missions.	Orphanage.	Colleges and Schools.	Ministerial Education	Aged Ministers.	Other Objects.	Minutes and Clerk.	Total.
Apple Grove	$ . .	$ . .	$ . .	$ . .	$ . .	$ . .	$ . .	$ . .	$ . .	$ . .	$ . .	. .	. .	$ . .	$ . .	$ 1 00	$ 1 00
Bald Mountain	18 00	15 00	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	75	33 75
Baptist Home	23 60	. .	3 00	1 80	. .	. .	2 15	. .	. .	. .	2 00	. .	. .	. .	. .	75	33 30
Beaver Creek	30 00	. .	1 86	. .	. .	5 75	8 00	. .	2 60	. .	7 20	. .	. .	. .	. .	1 00	56 41
Berlin	33 58	. .	. .	. .	. .	5 75	5 21	2 75	4 10	. .	2 50	. .	. .	. .	. .	1 75	55 64
Bethel	40 00	. .	. .	. .	. .	5 00	5 00	. .	. .	. .	3 94	. .	. .	. .	. .	1 50	55 44
Big Flatts	14 00	150 00	. .	2 00	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	1 00	. .	. .	. .	. .	50	167 50
Big Laurel	19 55	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	1 65	. .	. .	. .	. .	35	21 55
Buffalo	21 05	. .	. .	1 25	. .	2 00	. .	. .	. .	. .	1 35	. .	. .	. .	8 50	75	34 90
Bristol	7 98	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	2 50	65	11 13
Calvary	6 00	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	25	. .	. .	. .	. .	50	6 75
*Clifton	25 55	45 00	3 46	. .	3 60	2 11	1 05	. .	2 00	. .	2 57	. .	. .	. .	. .	1 00	86 34
Corinth	14 00	. .	. .	. .	. .	55	. .	. .	. .	. .	2 25	. .	. .	. .	. .	1 00	17 80
Forest Home	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	1 00	. .	. .	. .	. .	75	1 75
Friendship	25 00	43 00	. .	2 90	. .	. .	. .	. .	50	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	9 32	75	81 47
Healing Springs	28 00	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	3 00	. .	2 00	. .	4 00	. .	. .	. .	. .	1 25	38 25
Jefferson	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	60	60
Landmark	6 28	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	20	20	1 00	. .	1 85	. .	. .	20	. .	2 00	11 53
Liberty Hill	15 02	50 00	1 00	1 35	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	1 00	68 37
Long Branch	15 00	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	1 50	. .	1 00	. .	1 25	. .	. .	. .	. .	50	19 25
Meadow View	. .	. .	. .	. .	5 00	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	50	5 50
Mission Home	49 00	5 00	. .	4 00	. .	. .	. .	86	1 30	1 87	3 71	. .	. .	1 50	. .	1 00	68 24
Mountain View	. .	200 00	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	50	200 50
New River	9 65	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	2 50	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	1 00	13 15
Obids	23 98	3 00	. .	3 00	. .	. .	25	. .	. .	. .	4 95	. .	. .	. .	22 24	1 00	58 42
Old Fields	13 75	. .	. .	4 00	. .	. .	3 50	1 00	52	. .	4 55	. .	. .	2 00	. .	1 00	30 32
Pleasant Hill	. .	. .	. .	1 00	3 00	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	1 00	1 00	6 00
Pleasant Home	21 15	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	1 00	. .	4 00	. .	. .	. .	. .	1 00	27 15
Peak Valley	20 00	. .	. .	2 70	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	35	23 95
Windfall	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	1 00	. .	. .	. .	. .	75	1 75
Zion Hill	5 00	. .	. .	80	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	75	6 55
*No Report Total	$ 485 14	$ 511 00	$ 9 32	$ 24 80	$11 60	$ 21 16	$ 32 36	$ 4 81	4 16 02	$ 1 87	$ 51 02	. .	. .	3 70	$ 43 56	$ 27 20	$1243 36

TABLE No. 2—STATISTICAL.

CHURCHES	PASTORS AND POSTOFFICES		CLERKS AND POSTOFFICES		Time Preachg. S.	Value of Church Property	Seating Capacity of Church.	Baptized.	Rec'd by Letter.	Restored.	Dis. by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Number Males.	No. Females.	Total Membership.
Apple Grove			Pruit, A. Park,	Va.	2	$ 500	400				2			25	48	73
Ball Mountain	Hayes, T. M., Nathans Creek,	N. C.	Duncan, J. W., Beaver Creek,	N. C.	1	15		9	24					10	23	33
Baptist Home	Haire, P. H., Fleetwood,	"	Sturgill, L. J., Parker,	"	3	300	200	5	1		2			28	43	71
Beaver Creek	Wilcox, B. F., McGuire,	"	Goodman, L. H., Beaver Creek,	"	3	400	300	4	1		13			26	28	54
Berlin	Haire, P. H., Fleetwood,	"	Eller, H. A., Berlin,	"	1	200	200		1					18	18	36
Bethel	Tucker, Elihu, Grassy Creek,	"	Phillips, C. W., Beaver Creek,	"	2	500	300	25		7	3			62	69	121
Big Flatts	Wilcox, B. F., McGuire,	"	Goodman, R. A., Beaver Creek,	"	2	500	300		3					11	24	35
Big Laurel	Michael, W. H., Trade,	Tenn.	Taylor, W. B., Hemlock,	"	4	400	200							22	37	5
Bristol	Burkett, R. M., Theta,	N. C.	Sheets, A. F., Jefferson,	"	2	150	200	2			4			13	34	47
Brushy Fork			Rominger, J. M., Trade,	Tenn.	1	500	400							12	11	23
Buffalo	Burkett, R. M., Theta,	N. C.	Ray, T. H., Tree Top,	N. C.	4	400	300	9	1		9		2	27	47	74
Calvary	Carter, I. M., Grassy Creek,	"	Jones, D. T., Grassy Creek,	"	1				2		2	2		7	7	14
Clifton	Haire, P. H., Fleetwood,	"	Welch, J. W., Fresden,	"	2	400	300	10	3	1		2		36	49	85
Corinth	Tucker, Elihu, Grassy Creek,	"	Plummer, J. F., Volney,	Va.	4	500	200	2			2			34	52	86
Forest Home			Johnson, W. A., Jefferson,	N. C.	2	200	500					1		12	11	26
Friendship	Barker, W. F., Grassy Creek,	N. C.	Marsh, E. F., Theta,	"	4	300		10			1			25	65	90
Healing Springs	Barker, W. F., Grassy Creek,	"	Hudler, I. N. C. Crumpler	"	1	500	400	4	1				1	31	48	79
Jefferson			Luther, W. L., Jefferson,	"	1	400	300							20	15	35
Landmark	Barker. W. F., Grassy Creek,	"	Brinegar, L. M., Grassy Creek,	"	4	300	300	2	2		2	5	2	47	79	126
Liberty Hill	Tucker, Elihu, Grassy Creek,	"	Wagoner, J. H., Nathans Creek,	"	3	300	300	7	2				2	15	20	35
Long Branch	Haire, P. H., Fleetwood,	"	Welch, J. G., Eddison,	"	1			9						17	18	35
Mission Home	Glenn, J. T. Hemlock,	"	Phillips, A. D., Fleetwood,	"	1	650	400	4	2	1	9	2		32	50	82
Meadow View	Blackburn, David, Rugby,	"	Reedy, Joseph, Grassy Creek,	"	1	200	150		5		2			12	14	26
Mountain View	Poe, J. W., Laurel Bloomery,	Tenn.	Miller, Bethany, Glenn,	"	1	200	200							4	18	22
New River	Tucker, Elihu, Grassy Creek,	N. C.	Perry, E. C., Weaversford,	"	1	500	400	7			2			35	68	103
Obids	Burkett, R. M., Theta,	"	Brown, H. M., Obids,	"	3	400	400	5	1		1		2	28	49	77
Old Fields	Lee, Wm. M., Summit,	"	Blackburn, H. M., Summit,	"	4	500	300	2			5		1	31	51	82
Peak Valley	Michael, W. H., Trade,	Tenn.	Tyree, W. H., Solitude,	"	1	350	300				3	1		10	24	34
Pleasant Hill	Blevins, Andrew, Kanarock,	Va.	Stamper, A. L. Park,	Va.	4	500	306					1		9	9	18
Pleasant Home	Barker, W. F., Grassy Creek,	N. C.	Thompson, W. G., Grassy Crerk,	N. C.	2	450	200	2	1		2	1		28	47	75
Windfall			Wagoner, James, Weasel,	"	4	400	300							13	17	30
Zion Hill	Hays. T. M., Nathans Creek,	N. C.	Lyal, G. F. Wagoner,	"	4			22	2	5				12	26	38
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TABLE NO. 3—SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS, POST OFFICE.	Officers and Teachers	Scholars	Total Enrollment	No. of Schools	Vol. in Library	Quarterlies Taken	Months Open	Average Attendance	No. of Baptisms	Benevolent Association	School xpenses	Total Contributions
Ball Mountain	Trivett, C. E., Beaver Creek, N. C.	5	89	94	1	.	. .	.	51	.	$	$ 2.78	$ 2.78
Baptist Home	Woodard, J. W., Solitude, "	6	36	42	1	.	40	2	32	.	. .	1.83	1.80
Beaver Creek	Goodman, J. C., Beaver Creek, "	5	40	45	1	.	. .	9	28	.	. .	. . .	. .
Berlin	Weaver, E., Berlin, "	5	60	65	1	.	. .	6	40	.	. .	2.45	2.45
Bethel	Johnston, Wm., Nettle Knob, "	4	70	74	1	.	. .	5	34	.	. .	. . .	. . .
Big Flatts	Tucker, Dora, River Side, "	6	61	67	1	.	. .	4	40	.	. .	2.00	2.00
Buffalo	Hodgson, W. A., Tree Top, "	7	45	52	1	.	. .	6	30	.	. .	1.25	1.25
Clifton	Gilley, M. A., Clifton, "	5	58	63	1	.	. .	.	51	.	. .	. . .	. . .
Corinth	Plummer, J. F., Volney, Va.	4	46	50	1	.	. .	5	35	1	. .	. . .	. . .
Friendship	Houck, W. R., Jefferson, N. C.	7	73	80	1	.	40	6	40	.	. .	2.90	2.50
Liberty Hill	Wagoner, J. H., Nathans reek "	5	56	61	1	.	50	3	30	.	. .	1.35	1.35
Mission Home	Williams, C. H., Fleetwood, "	8	75	83	1	.	60	6	43	.	1.87	4.00	5.87
Meadow View	Halsey, Troy, Grassy Creek, "	5	30	35	1	.	72	4	. .	.	. .	. . .	. . .
Obids	Burgness, D. H., Obids, "	7	60	67	1	15	35	6	30	.	. .	3.00	3.00
Old Fields	Harrison, Church, Summit, "	7	100	107	1	.	70	6	75	.	. .	4.00	4.00
Peak Valley	Barlow, E., Dyson, "	5	51	56	1	.	80	6	35	.	. .	2.70	2.70
Pleasant Hill	Stamper, A. L., Park, Va.	4	45	49	1	.	32	4	45	.	. .	1.00	1.00
Zion Hill	Burgness, John, Wagoner, N. C.	2	40	42	1	.	. .	3	20	.	. .	.80	.80
TOTALS.		97	1035	1132	18	15	479	81	659	1	$187	$ 3003	$31.90

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

1 The Third Session of the Sunday School Convention of the Ashe Association was held with Bethel Baptist church, July 29, 30 and 31, 1910.

2 The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Rev. P. H. Haire. Text: Malachi 3:8.

3 The following churches were represented in the Convention by the following named brethren, to-wit:

Ball Mountain—J. W. Duncan; Beaver Creek—Mills Goodman; Bethel—J. P. Goodman, J. D. Baker; Big Flatts—Rev. P. H. Haire, D. Q. J. Jordan; Friendship—Rev. R. M. Burkett, W. W. Burkett; Mission Home—J. E. Woodruff; Obids—H. M. Brown; Old Fields—J. R. Johnston.

Rev. Elihu Tucker was also present.

4 Rev. P. H. Haire was elected Moderator, and J. R. Johnston, Secretary.

5 On motion that the Convention be governed by the Constitution and Rules of Order of the Ashe Association.

6 The programme was discussed by the representatives present and we trust much good was accomplished.

7 The next Convention will be held with Friendship Baptist church, three miles east of Jefferson, commencing on Friday before the fifth Sunday in July, 1911. The Introductory Sermon to be delivered by Rev. Joseph A. Houck at 11 a. m.

8 Programme for the next Convention:

1st. Shall we use the literature in Sunday schools? J. C. Goodman, Rev. J. A. Houck, M. M. Blevins, speakers.

2nd. Does the Sunday school do its full duty in leading people to Christ? If not, who is responsible? Revs. J. T. Glenn, P. H. Haire, J. D. Baker, speakers.

3rd. Was Christ a Sunday school teacher? Revs. T. M. Hays, R. M. Burkett, Elihu Tucker, speakers.

4th. Are you a Sunday school worker? If so, why? If not, why not? J. W. Duncan, Mills Goodman, J. D. Baker, speakers.

REV. P. H. HAIRE, Chairman.

J. R. Johnston, Secretary.

OBITUARIES.

Andrew J. Lawrence.

Brother Andrew J. Lawrence was born March 6, 1820. Departed this life July 6, 1907, aged 87 years 4 months. He professed a hope in Christ and joined Mt. Pleasant church in the year 1848, at the age of 28 years and lived a consistent Christian life 59 years. He was always at his church meeting, he was a devoted husband, a kind father, a true Christian and a good citizen, always ready to raise the fallen, and lend a helping hand to the poor and needy. He is survived by and aged widow and five children. "Asleep in Jesus blessed sleep, from which none ever awake to weep, a calm and undisturbed repose, unbroken by the last of foes."

A Friend.

Roebena Blevius.

Sister Roebena Blevins, nee Stuart, was born October 6th, 1878. In or about the fifteenth year of her age, she professed a hope in Christ and joined Forest Home Baptist church. In the year 1901 she moved her membership to Healing Springs Baptist church, and lived a devoted Christian life to her death. She was married to Thos. J. Blevins, December the 26, 1897, unto this union were born three boys and three girls. She was a kind and affectionate wife and a loving mother. She was seized with that fatal epidemic, tuberculosis, which she bore cheerfully and patiently, and often remarked that she knew that she had to, but was not afraid to die. She departed this life August the 5, 1910, age 31 years, 9 months, 29 days. From her life and her declaration, we believe her immortal spirit is safely garnered in Heaven, there to sweetly dwell forever.

A Relative and Friend.

Rebecca Wallace.

Sister Rebecca Wallace was born July the 7, 1827, departed this life September the 25, 1909, aged 82 years, 2 months, 18 days. She was a daughter of James and Rachel Festerman, she was married to Reuben Wallace, April the 22, 1852, unto them were born nine sons and one daughter. She attached herself to Forest Home Baptist church about the year 1875, was baptised by Rev. W. C. Parks, and lived a consistent member of the same until her death. She was resigned and willing to go, she called her children and friends to her bed side and told them she did not want them to grieve after her, she was going to rest. "In faith we view her resting place, and look for that sweet bye and bye, when God Himself in wondrous grace, shall remit her broken tie."

R. L. Shoaf.

Hamilton Phillips.

Brother Hamilton Phillips was born September the 27, 1831, departed this life April 28, 1909, aged 75 years, 7 months and 1 day. He was married to Mary Michael and lived a quiet and happy life. He joined Cool Springs Baptist church at the age of 19 years, and lived a pious Christian life to his death. He was always at his post, he was a faithful Christian, a kind father and a true friend ready to help in time of need. We miss him in the church and in the settlement and in the family circle. We visited him in his last illness and conversed with him about his future happiness, his prospects were bright for Heaven and immortal glory. We deeply deplore our loss, but we are sure it is his eternal gain. In the language of the poet, why do we mourn departed friends, or shake at deaths alarm, 'tis but the voice that Jesus sends, to call them to his arms.

A Friend.

A. F. Jordan.

Brother A. F. Jordan was born September the 18, 1835; departed this life March 30, 1906, aged 70 years, 6 months and 12 days. He joined the Baptist church at the age of 53 years, and lived a pious Christian life to his death. He leaves 6 children to mourn his death. He was a devoted husband and kind father, and a true friend, always ready to help in time of need. He was patient in his afflictions and bore them without complaining. To his children and friends, be ready when the change come. Then as David said in the Psalms: "Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, His rod and His staff they comfort me."

A Friend.

Almeda Jordan.

Sister Almeda Jordan, wife of A. F. Jordan (Dec) was born November 5, 1836, departed this life October 20, 1909. Aged 72 years, 11 months and 15 days. She professed a hope in Christ and joined the Mission Home Baptist church at the age of 56 and lived a pious Christian life. We visited her in her sickness a short time before her death, her prospects seemed to be bright for Heaven and immortal glory She leaves six children to mourn for mother. We miss her in Mission Home church. Her suffering was intense but she bore it patiently until death relieved her. We quote Paul who said: "Oh death where is thy sting, oh grave where is thy victory."

A Friend.

Ollie Parsons.

Sister Ollie Parsons, wife of Brother R C. Parsons was born February 14, 1859, departed this life July 25, 1910, age 51 years, 5 months and 11 days. She was converted and joined Bethel Baptist church at 15 years of age. After several years she moved her membership to Obids Baptist church, where her light shined brightly until her death. While she is sadly missed by friends and loved ones, we feel assured that her name has been written in the lambs book of life, and that she will be able to enter in through the gates into the city, where there will be no more death, neither sorrow nor crying, and where God ehall wipe away all tears from their eyes. Ettie Burgness.

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DIRECTORY OF THE ASHE ASSOCIATION

OFFICERS:

Prof. J. C. Goodman, Moderator ..... Beaver Creek, N .C.
James Eller, Vice-President ..... Berlin, "
M. M. Blevins, Clerk and Treasurer ..... Crumpler, "

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

H. A. Eller ..... Berlin, N. C.
L. J. Sturgill ..... Parker, "
J. W. Duncan ..... Beaver Creek, "

STATE MISSION BOARD:

H. A. Eller ..... Berlin, N. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS:

Barker, W. F. ..... Grassy Creek, N. C.
Blackburn, David ..... Rugby, Va.
Blevins, J. C. ..... Grassy Creek, N.C.
Burkett, R. M. ..... Theta, "
Campbell, N. A. ..... Thaxton, "
Carter, I. M. ..... Grassy Creek, "
Day, T. J. ..... Green Cove, Va.
Glenn, W. H. ..... Glenn, N. C.
Haire, P. H. ..... Fleetwood, "
Hart, Riley ..... Park, Va.
Hays, T. M. ..... Nathans Creek N.C.
Houck Joseph A. ..... Beaver Creek, "
Hubb'e, D. S. ..... Berlin, "
Hurley, Andrew ..... Weasel, "
Osborne, W. A. ..... Solitude, "
Shoaf, R. L. ..... Warrensville, "
Stanley, J. F. ..... Hemlock, "
Trivett, J. S. ..... Fleetwood, "
Tucker, Elihu ..... Grassy Creek "
Woodruff, W. A. ..... Oval, "

LICENTIATES:

J. M. Hamby ..... Crumpler, N. C.
Coy Blackburn ..... Grassy Creek, "

CONSTITUTION

Art. 1. This body shall be called the Ashe Association.

2. The object of this association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the gospel in our bounds and in all the world, and in this work the association will co-operate with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

3. The members of this body shall be all the ordained ministers of the churches of this association and three delegates from each church who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment and giving statistics of the membership and work of the church.

4. At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a moderator, clerk and treasurer in such way as the association may direct. The two last offices may be held by the same brother.

5. The moderator shall preside at the meetings, preserve order, appoint committees and preform such other duties as are required of presiding officers.

6 The clerk shall keep correct record of the proceedings of the body and superintend the printing and distributing to the churches the proceedings of the body.

7. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent to the association, pay them out as the association may direct and make a report to each annual session.

8. The Association shall hold an annual meeting at such time and place as may be agreed upon.

9. At each annual meeting there shall be appointed an Executive committee of three brethren who shall look after the destitution in the bounds of this association, and co-operate with the State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention making to the next session a report of the work done and of the general State Mission work.

10. The Association shall convene annually on Tuesday after the first Sunday in September. At each annual session there shall be appointed committees to make reports to the ensuing session on the following subjects, to-wit: State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Pastoral Support, Ministerial Education, Baptist Orphanage, Bibical Recorder, Temperance, Digest church letters, Finance, Place and Preacher for next Association.

11. Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

12. The Association will not receive nor retain in permanent fellowship any church that retains in its fellowship any member who is disorderly in doctrine or practice or who makes, sells or in any way deals in ardent spirits as a beverage.

13. This Constitution may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual session.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES.

1 We believe in one only true and living God, and that there are three persons in the God head, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost and that these three are one.

2. We believe that the Bible, the Old and New Testament is the word of God and the only rule of Faith and Practice.

3. We believe in the impotency of man and the sovereignity of God.

4. We believe that salvation is by grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5 We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ to be practiced only by believers in their scriptural order.

6 We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator and that only those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and in doctrine should take the Lord's Supper.

7. We believe in the final perseverance of the saints in grace to glory.

8. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment.

9. We believe that the existence of the righteous and of the wicked will both be of eternal duration and that the happiness of righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

RULES OF ORDER

1. Every session shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. When theModerator calls the house to order every member shall at once take his seat.

3. When a member wishes to speak he shall rise and address the Moderator and not proceed till he has been recognized.

4. No member shall speak more than twice on any subject except by permission of the body.

5. No member shall leave the body during the session without permission of the Moderator.

6. It will be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold private conversation while the Moderator is speaking.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1st. Introductory sermon.
2nd. Roll of churches and enrollment of Delegates.
3rd. Election of officers.
4th. Reception of new churches.
5th. Reading Constitution, Abstract of Principles and Rules of Order.
6th. Appointment of committees.
7th. Report of Executive committee.
8th. Report of Associational missionary.
9th. Report of standing committees.
10th. Report of other committees.
11th. Report of Treasurer.
12th. Miscellaneous.

Proceedings

Crumpler, Ashe County N. C., Sept. 5, 1911.

1st. The Ashe Association met in its 25th annual session with Healing Springs Baptist Church, at 11 A. M.

2nd. Upon the request of Revs. Elihu Tucker and J. A. Houck, the regular appointees, the Introductory Sermon was delivered by Rev. Geo. M. Reeves, of the Alleghany Association. Text St John the 14th chapter and 21st verse, "He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them," etc., concluded by Rev. Elihu Tucker.

3rd. Adjourned 1 hour, prayer by Rev. D. S. Lee.

TUESDAY EVENING SESSION, SEPT. 5th, 1:30 P. M.

4th. The Association met according to adjournment.

5th. The Association was called to order by the Moderator, Prof. J. C. Goodman, prayer by Rev. J. A. Houck.

6th. Rev. C. M. Cope, of the Alleghany Association was appointed to preach in the grove at 2:30 P. M., at the hour for preaching, Bro. Cope, retired to the grove and delivered a great gospel sermon to a large attentive audinence. Text St. Matthew the 16th chapter and 24th verse, "Then said Jesus unto his disciples," etc.

7th. Called roll of churches, thereupon thirty churches responded and handed in their letters which were read by the Clerk assisted by J. W. Duncan, an enrolled list of messengers whose names will appear at the close of these proceedings.

8th. On motion, the Association proceeded to permanent organization by electing Prof. J. C. Goodman, Moderator and M. M. Blevins Clerk and Treasurer by acclamation.

9th. Read Constitution, Abstract of Principles and Rules of Order.

10th. On motion, that section 10 of the constitution be amended, stating that the Association shall convene annually on Tuesday after the first Sunday in September at 11 A. M. and that the word time be stricken from said section of the constitution.

11th. The Moderator invited visiting brethren to seat with the Association, Revs. Geo. M. Reeves and C. M. Cope of the

Alleghany; Wm. M. Fowlkes of the Mountain Union; D. S. Lee, a correspondent of the Caldwell; A. J. Hart, of the New River Associations, reported themselves and seated with the Association.

12th. The Moderator appointed the following committees, to-wit:

TEMPERANCE—W. E. Carlton, A. W. Hodgson.

RELIGIOUS EXERCISES—Rev. W. F. Barker, M. M. Blevins, John Hudler, Geo. Blevins, Elihu Tucker.

FINANCE—R. H. Goodman, E. C. Eller, G. A. Eller.

TO NOMINATE AN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—W. W. Mills, S. A. Campbell, J. G. Miller.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND COLPORTAGE—J. H. Wagoner, J. C. Denney, E. D. Harless.

TO SELECT A HISTORIAN—J. C. Parsons, Sidney Tucker, J. T. King.

PLACE AND PREACHER FOR NEXT ASSOCIATION—W. H. Tyree, G. W. Brown, J. F. Plummer, J. W. Duncan, R. M. Burkett.

OBITUARIES—Rev. J. A. Houck, A. L. Stamper, John Eggers.

RESOLUTIONS—J. C. Denney, C. J. Carter, Joe G. Welch.

13th. REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS EXERCISES—Your Committee reports: Devotional Exercises tomorrow morning at 9 A. M. to be conducted by Rev. J. A. Houck. Preaching in the grove at 2 P. M. by Rev. Geo. Reeves.

Respectfully submitted,
W. F. Barker,
M. M. Blevins,
John Hudler,
Geo. Blevins,
Elihu Tucker,
Committee.

14th. Announced homes for the messengers and visitors.

15th. Adjourned till tomorrow morning at 9 A. M. Prayer by Rev. W. F. Barker.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION, SEPT. 6th, 9 A M.

16th. The Association met according to adjournment, spent one half hour in devotional exercises, conducted by Rev. J. A. Houck, reading the 5th chapter of First Peter. Prayer by Rev. R. M. Burkett.

17th. The Association was called to order by the Moderator.

18th. Read and adopted the minutes of yesterday.

19th. The Moderator extended an invitation to visiting brethren; Revs. J. F. Fletcher, W. A. Hash, and Bro. W. C. Fields, of New River; Bro. N. H. Jones, of the Alleghany; Rev. W. R. Bradshaw, of the South Fork Associations, reported themselves, were extended the hand of welcome by the Moderator and seated with the Association.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

20th. Your Executive Committee submits the following report of the funds collected, and of the work done during the year just closed. We have received from all sources $71.56: your committee tried to ascertain the condition of the churches, as much as possible by letter correspondence, as well as otherwise, after gaining what information we could we decided that Long Branch, Peak Valley, Mountain View, Pleasant Hill and Zion Hill churches, were the most needy, and gave promise of growth and development, and as they called Pastors and engaged in church work, they were aided to the amount of ten dollars ($10.00) each out of the funds before named.

Forest Home and Apple Grove were aided five dollars each, upon the agreement that they would pay what they had pledged to this work and secure pastors, which they did. The same promise was made to Windfall church, through one of its members, but your committee is uninformed as to whether a pastor was called or the pledge paid, we think that these churches have strengthened by this plan of work, and the aid furnished. Your committee could have spent much more in this work to a good purpose, in most all of our churches. Infact the little which was done is as nothing compared with the vast needs and destitutions of our entire field, some of our churches, which were not aided, are almost or quite as needy and worthy of aid as the ones aided, and some and perhaps all of those aided are still in need of aid, while there are others destitute and waiting points needing our attention where there is no organization. Infact the entire bounds of our Association is in a measure destitute of Baptist preaching.

"The field is white unto harvest." Your committee urges upon this Association, the great importance of a stronger and

better organized effort upon the part of all our people to supply the different points with regular preaching, we recommend, that the different churches, make pledges to this object and that individuals be ask to aid in this effort and that we make an effort to reach all of our people and solicit their aid in this work.

Submitted,

H. A. Eller, for the Committee.

This report was discussed by H. A. Eller, A. L. Stamper, A. W. Hodgson, Revs. Elihu Tucker and R. L. Shoaf. At this time a motion was offered and carried, that the reports on State, Home, and Foreign Missions, be read and discussed in connection with the report of the Executive Committee.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

The cause of State Missions should deeply interest every Christian, Christ commanded his disciples to go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. But let us remember that he instructed them to begin at Jerusalem, which means at home.

If we would begin at home as we ought, then the task of sending the gospel to other lands would not be so great. All true Christians ought to sacrifice more for the success of the gospel in all the bounds of our beloved State. If the Baptists of our Association only appreciated their own individual salvation as they should, then surely they would become more zealous, for the salvation of others. Brother, how much do you appreciate the fact that the gospel was brought to you, and that you accepted Christ upon its terms? Let us show our faith by our works. Your committee recommends that the Clerk appoint a committee of three members of each church to hold rallies in behalf of State Missions during the three first months of the ensuing year.

Respectfully submitted,

T. F. Ray,

by J. C. Goodman,

Committee.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

This part of our work is of great importance, and should claim the attention of all our people. The Home Mission Board has done and is doing a great work, through its Missionaries. Some being supported entirely and others being sup-

ported partly by this Board. It is sending the gospel to places that does not have it, and many souls are brought to Christ and saved. We are the Lord's people and ought to do the Lord's work, with willing hearts and hands. Let us do more for this cause each year.

Respectfully submitted,
J. H. Wagoner,
Committee.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

The Foreign Mission Board is in the glorious work of Evangelization. It is appointed by the Southern Baptist convention for this stupendous task. Splendid opportunities are before us. China with 440,000,000 of people is passing through a marvelous transformation. Now is the time to give these millions the gospel. Japan is leading the orient, shall we lead Japan to Christ? Mohammedanism threatens to submerge Africa. Shall we turn back the tide by the power of the gospel. South America, Mexico and Italy are sick and tired of Romanism. They are ready to receive the gospel, which we have to give, vast open doors which we have not yet been able to enter lie before us. We have sent out 273 missionaries, thirty of them sent out last year. They have gathered around them 531 Native helpers and are training hundreds of others. The Missionaries reported 3618 Baptisms last year. There are seven women training schools with 140 students and nine Theological training schools with 212 students. There are fifteen Medical Missionaries, treating many thousands of patients, opening the way to the hearts and homes of millions of people. We have seven hospitals in which the Missionaries assisted by five Native helpers, treated 40,716 patients. The printing presses are sending out the Bible and millions of pages of religious literature in the language of the people. An accumulated debt of $89,600 now rests upon the work. This should be paid off this year.

We recommend that all our people help by sympathy and prayer, and by self denying sacrifice by all, and by liberal gifts, and that we solemnly pledge ourselves to do all in our power to raise the amount $30,00 which has been ask of our Association this year.

Respectfully submitted
James Eller,
Committee.

These reports were fully discussed by Revs. W. R. Bradshaw and P. H. Haire, upon the adoption of the same, the following pledges were made by the churches and individuals to-wit:

CHURCH PLEDGES

	Associational Missions	State Missions
Apple Grove,	$ 5.00	$
Bald Mountain,		1.00
Beaver Creek,	10.00	50.00
Berlin,	10.00	
Bethel,	5.00	
Big Flatts,	5.00	
Big Laurel,	2.00	1 00
Buffalo,		10.00
Calvary,		2.00
Clifton,	paid 5.00	
Corrinth,	2.50	2.50
Forest Home,	1.00	1.00
Friendship,	1 00	1.00
Healing Springs,	5.00	5.00
Jefferson,	5.00	10.00
Landmark,	5.00	5.00
Liberty Hill.	2.00	2.00
Long Branch,	1.00	1.00
New River,	2.50	2.50
Obids,	2.00	2.00
Old Fields,	5.00	3.00
Peach Valley,	2.50	1.50
Pleasant Hill,	1.00	1.00
Pleasant Home,	2.50	2.50
Windfall,	2.50	2.50
Zion Hill,	2.00	2.00
Totals	$84.50	$107.50

Individual Pledges for State Missions

	State Missions		State Missions
Sidney Tucker,	$ 1.00	Geo. W. Brown, pd	1.00
Allen Miller,	1.00	Miss Bina Garvey.	10.00
W. C. Fields,	10.00	John Eggers, pd	1·00
Henderson Graybeal,	10.00	J. R. Johnston,	10.00
Arthur Graybeal,	10.00	A. L. Stamper,	1.00
L. J. Sturgill,	5.00	Elihu Tucker, pd	1.00
H. A. Eller,	10.00	Lee H. Goodman, pd	1.00
E. C. Eller,	10.00	W· F. Barker, pd	1.00
Lee Campbell,	5.00	D. S. Lee	10. 00
W. E. Carlton,	4.00	J. Wilson Hudler, pd	2.00
J. G. Miller, pd	1.00	H. C. Poe, pd 50c	1.00
J. F. Plummer,	1.00	J. F. Fletcher,	5.00
Geo. W. Burkett, pd	1.00	Mrs. M. M. Blevins,	1 00
M. M. Blevins,	1.00	Mrs. Cora Ballou,	1.00
I. N. Hudler, pd	1.00	Mrs. J. C. Goodman, pd	1.00
E. L. Tucker,	5.00	Mrs. May Blackburn, pd	.10
Walter Phillipps	10.00	Clint L. Blevins,	2.50
J. M. Hamby,	2.00	James Garvey,	10.00
Joe Welch,	1.00	James Eller.	10.00
Monroe Welch,	1.00	A. S. Eller,	10.00
Joe Gilley,	1.00		

Total individual pledges	$170.60
Total church pledges	107.50
Total church pledges Associational Missions	84.50
Collection at Association, State Missions	4.92
Grand Total	$367.52

A strong feeling and sentiment prevails throughout the Association to increase the pledges for State Missions to $400.00

21st. On motion, that each church pay not less than fifty cents or more to Home Missions, and not less than one dollar and more if possible to Foreign Missions.

22nd. Adjournment one hour for refreshments.

WEDNESDAY EVENING SESSION, SEPT. 6th, 2 P. M.

23rd. The Association met according to adjournment and was called to order by the Moderator. Prayer by Rev W. A. Hash.

24th. Rev. Geo. M. Reeves, retired to the grove and delivered an interesting gospel sermon to a large attentive audience, at the close of which a great manifestation of the spirit of the Lord was exhibited among and by the people and many shouted the praises of God, in christian reality.

REPORT ON MINISTERAL EDUCATION.

25th. It appears that men of every avocation of life are striving for an education, shall our ministers be left behind? If they are not, then we as a body of Baptist should come to their assistance with our financial aid. Our ministers should be able to command language for all occasions. But first of all a man must be possessed with the Holy Spirit, with this, and what he may gain in knowledge, he may be able to do a wonderful work for our great Lord and Master. Your committee earnestly recommends Wake Forest College, Wake Forest, N. C., and the Theological Siminary at Louisville, Ky., worthy of the patronage of all men preparing for the ministry, and Meredith College, at Raleigh, N. C., for the education of our girls and women doing Mission work.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. Duncan,

Committee.

Reading the adoption of the report on ministeral education Revs. J. F. Fletcher and W. A. Hash, from the New River Association presented the following resolution adopted by the New River Association at its last session to-wit.

Resolved that we ask, the Ashe and Alleghany Associations to join us in the establishing of one of our Home Mission Board Mountain Schools at Oak Hill, Grayson County, Va. and that they appoint a trustee of each Association to represent the work in their Associations which was discussed by Revs. J. F. Fletcher, W. A. Hash, D. S. Hubble, W. R. Bradshaw and Bro. W. C. Fields, and the following resolutions were offered to-wit:

Resolved 1st. That we the Ashe Association accept the proposition made by the New River Association in reference to the establishing at said Oak Hill, one of our Home Mission Board Mountain Schools.

2nd. That we pledge our hearty co-operation in this work and that we appoint a trustee according to their request. Adopted.

26. The Moderator appointed H. A. Eller, W. E. Carlton and P. H. Haire to select a trustee as requested by the New River Association, who report for trustee Prof. J. C. Goodman an motion was adopted.

27th. Read letter and enrolled messenger from Bethel church.

28th. The Moderator appointed Rev. P. H. Haire to prepare a report on orphanage.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE AN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

29th. Your committee nominates for Executive Committee Brethren H. A. Eller, L. J. Sturgill, J. W. Duncan. Adopted.

Respectfully submitted,
W. W. Mills,
S. A. Campbell,
J. G. Miller,
Committee

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOL AND COLPORTAGE.

30th. Sunday Schools should be of much importance to our people, we believe it to be a divine institution, we find that some of our churches do not have Sunday schools, we recom-

mend that we do all in our power to have Sunday school work carried on in all our churches next year. Your committee has been informed by Bro. J. M. Hamby, our colporter that he has sold over 500 Bibles and Testaments, and 400 song books and has given 500 religious books to the poor. We also reccommend that Bro. J. M. Hamby, be appointed colporter for the Association for the ensuing year. Adopted.

Respectfully submitted,
J. H. Wagoner,
J. C. Denney,
E. D. Harless,
Committee

In addition to this report Bro. Hamby says there is a great work for the colporter to do, he says many homes are filled with bad literature that has a tendency to lead men and women to dis'ruction. He proposes to donate a Bible or Testament to any family that is financially unable to buy one, he also states that he has preached at two places once a month at each place most all the year, any assistance the Association would render him would be highly appreciated, Clerk by request.

REPORT COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS EXERCISES.

31st. Your committee on Religious Exercises reports devotional exercises tomorrow at 9 A. M. to be conducted by Revs. R. M. Burkett, J. C. Blevins. Revs. J. F. Fletcher and W. R. Bradshaw, to speak on report of Baptist Orphanage, at 10 and 10:30 A. M. Respectfully submitted,

W. F. Barker, M. M. Blevins, John Hudler,
Geo. Blevins, Elihu Tucker, Committee.

32nd. Adjournment till tomorrow morning at 9 A. M. Prayer by Rev. P. H. Haire.

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION, SEPT., 7th, 9 A. M.

33rd. The Association met according to adjournment. Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. R. M. Burkett reading the 103 Psalm. Prayer by E. D. Harless.

34th. The Association was called to order by the Moderator.

35th. Read and adopted minutes of yesterday.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLACE AND PREACHER FOR THE NEXT ASSOCIATION

36th. Your committee reports place for the next Associa-

tion. Peak Valley Baptist church, Dyson, Ashe County, N. C., 4½ miles west of Creston, N. C. The introductory sermon to be delivered by Rev. P. H. Haire, at 11 A. M. Alternate: Rev. R. M. Burkett.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON OBITUARIES.

37th. The lives of our faithful ones have been a blessing to us. Therefore, your committee reccommends that churches having a deceased member, prepare a brief obituary of them and present the same to the Clerk of this Association for publication in our minutes. Adopted. Respectfully submitted,

A. L. Stamper, John Eggles, J. A. Houck, Com.

REPORT COMMITTEE ON PERIODICALS.

38th. One of the greatest needs of the Baptist of our Association is to have a greater knowledge of the Bible and its teachings and to understand the motive of our work in the churches. Therefore, we urge the reading of the Biblical Recorder. First the Recorder gives the workings of the Baptist State Convention and of the Baptist throughout the State. Second, every Baptist should read Charity and Children, the Home Field and Foreign Mission Journal.

Respectfully submitted,

W. F. Barker, Committee.

Discussed by Revs. Bradshaw, Geo. M. Reeves and D. S. Lee. Adopted.

39th. On motion that section 10 of the Constitution be amended by discontinuing the word periodicals of said section and inserting the word Biblical Recorder in place of the same. Adopted.

REPORT OF HISTORIAN

40th. In 1755 Shubal Steams and his brother-in-law Daniel Marshal, came from Virginia to Guilford County to Sandy Creek, now in Randolph County, N. C., held a protracted meeting and organized a church named Sandy Creek. Steams remained there in these years. In 1758 the first Association in Virginia or North Carolina, was organized by them. The Sandy Creek Association, that Association covered all the territory now covered by Western North Carolina, East Tennessee and Southwest Virginia. There were four churches belonging to it that is now in what is known as East Tennessee.

In 1790 the Yadkin Association, 100 miles or more west of Sandy Creek, was organized. It covered the western part of the territory of old Sandy Creek. Fox Creek church now in Grayson county Virginia. Sugar Grove and St. Clair's Creek in Smyth County, Virginia, belonged to it. My great grandfather George McNeil from Scotland was its Moderator, Thomas Johnson was a delegate at the organization of the Yadkin Association. They appointed two or three men to travel as missionaries and appointed a Trustee to receive and distribute the funds. Andrew Baker came to old Fox Creek church, preached and went over to Smyth county to Sugar Grove and St. Clair's Bottom. In 1799 the Mountain Association was set off from the Yadkin Association. It covered the greater part of the Southwest Virginia and all of Wilkes county west of the Blue Ridge and had seven churches east of the mountains. Those east of the mountains were constituted into the Roaring River Association. Afterwards the Mountain Association set off the Watauga and Senter Associations. In 1821 at Lewis meeting house in Wilkes county, the Briar Creek Association was organized from the Yadkin Association. In 1848, Oct. 30th, The Jefferson Association was organized at Liberty church near Jefferson N. C. In 1871 The Jefferson was reorganized into the New River at Baptist Union church, Grayson County, Virginia. In the year of 1886 the Ashe and Alleghany Association was organized with nine churches, six from Ashe and three from Alleghany counties at Buffalo church. Elder T. M. Honeycutt was President and H. A. Eller, Secretary. Elder G. W. Green was present and drew the Constitution. The first session after the organization was held with New Hope church in Alleghany county, 1887. Quite a number of visitors were there to-wit: Revs. E. F. Jones, S. M. Collis, Iredell Privett, and others. The first Executive Committee, W. C. Fields, G. H. Phillips and James Eller.

Respectfully submitted,
James Eller, Historian. Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO SELECT A HISTORIAN.

41st. Your committee selects and reccommends for historian, Prof. J. O. Goodman. Respectfully submitted,
Sidney Tucker, J. T. King, J. C. Parsons, Com. Adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

42nd. Brethren we are all well aware that the evil intemperance is still abroad in our land. We also know that the laws of our State, against this great evil, are good and sufficient. Your committee earnestly urges every member of this body to stand firm against this evil by seeing to it, that the laws are enforced against drunkness and the sale and handling of liquor. We further urge that all the members of this body do all in their power to aid any Brother who may be engaged in the enforcement of law against this evil; for the teaching of God's word against intemperance. Your committee refers you to the following Scriptures: Romans 13, 13. Ephesians 5, 18. Gallatians 5, 15. 26. Deuteronomy 21, 20, 21. Proverbs 23, 20, 25. Your committee does most earnestly urge that all our Baptist people study the teaching of Gods word on the subject of Temperance and teach their children to love and practice temperance and to hate intemperance and all its evils, your committee refers all Justices of the Peace to Rev. R. L. Davis, Secretary of the Anti-saloon League. Wilson, N. C. Respectfully submitted

W. E. Carlton, Committee.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

43rd. We as Baptist have a relief fund under the above name Ministeral Relief for the benefit of our disabled and infirm Ministers and their families. We have some in our Association who are receiving aid from this fund, which is to them a great help. Are we as christians doing what we ought for this great cause? Let us as christians come to the aid of our worthy veterans of the cross and show our appreciation for this service. Respectfully submitted,

S. A. Campbell. Committee.

REPORT ON PASTORAL SUPPORT

44th. According to the letters from the various churches of the Ashe Association our pastors are still poorly paid for their services. Therefore your committee reccommends and urges that every deacon of the various churches awake to their scriptural duty, and discharge the same by soliciting and collecting funds for the support of their pastors, more than they have ever done before. Let each deacon do all he can to get each and every member of his church to contribute some-

thing for the support of their pastor, we further urge that each active member of all our churches aid in every possible way, in securing means for the support of the pastors of the differant churches. For in so doing we only discharge our scriptural duty and fulfill a christian obligation.

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. Goodman, M. M. Blevins, Committee.

REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS

45th. Whereas your committee after hearing the deliberations of this body be it resolved.

1st. That we as Baptist of the Ashe Association do get to work more in earnest than we have in the past. Let us join heart and hand in all our work and especially in the State Mission cause.

2nd. That the thanks of this Association are due and hereby tendered to the officers of this body for the faithful and courteous manner in which they have conducted the business of this Association.

3rd. That we as a body of Missionary Baptist do hereby tender our heartfelt thanks to the brethren and friends of Healing Springs Baptist church and the community at large for their kind benevolent, hospitable entertainment given to the messenger visitors and the people in general of the Association during the setting of this glorious session. Adopted.

Respectfully submitted,
C. J. Carter, J. C. Denny, J. G. Welch, Committee.

46th. On motion the Clerk was directed to appoint the committees to write reports on the various objects as laid down in the 10th article of the constitution and that the committees appointed to write said reports having them ready for the next Association. Adopted.

47th. As required by section 46 the Clerk made the following appointments to-wit: State Missions, H. A. Eller; Home Missions, R. H. Goodman; Foreign Missions, Rev. P. H. Haire; Ministerial Education, W. E. Carlton; Baptist Orphanage, C. L. Blevins; Biblical Recorder, Rev. J. A. Houck; Temperance, J. W. Duncan; Digest church letters, L. J. Sturgill; Ministerial Relief, Rev. Elihu Tucker; Pastoral Support, J. G. Welch. The committees are especially requested to write their reports, and if they cannot attend the next session of the

Association with their reports to file them with the Clerk of the Association prior to its next meeting, so as to not delay the dispatch of the business of the Association.

48th. Rev. W. F. Barker, the delegate to the late session of the State Baptist Convention, made a report of his visit to the Convention which was received.

49th. Bro. D. T. Jones, volunteered to go as a visitor to the Alleghany Association.

50th. Revs. R. L. Shoaf, P. H, Haire, W. F. Barker and M. M. Blevins, agreed to go as messengers to the State Baptist Convention, to be held in Winston-Salem, N. C., commencing on Tuesday Dec. 5th, 1911 at 7.30 p. m.

RETORT ON BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

51st. The Association retired from the house to the Grove for the reading of the report on orphanage which was read to a large attentive audience, as follows: There are three hundred and eighty-four orphan children in the Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville, N. C., to be cared for. The cost of this Institution is one hundred dollars per day, saying nothing of the need of more building; we urge that every Sunday School take a collection once a month for this great work and that every church appoint a special day to collect money for this purpose, we would suggest Thanksgiving as the day.

Respectfully submitted,

P. H. Hare, Committee.

On motion after being discussed by Revs. P. H. Hare, J. F. Fletcher and W. R. Bradshaw. Adopted.

Upon the adoption of this report, three orphan children, one boy and two girls from the Orphanage at Thomasville, were introduced to the audience and a collection taken which amounted to $48.72 for the Orphanage and $2.00 to Charity and Children. Total collection $50.72.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

52nd. Your committee on Finance submits the following report. Received from the various churches, the following amounts for the different departments of our work to-wit:

Associational	Missions,	$9.49
State	"	3.66
Home	"	5.50
Foreign	"	6.41
Sunday School	"	.70

Baptist Orphanage	11.86
Ministeral Relief	1.77
Minute Fund	31.40
Total	$75.80

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Goodman, E. C. Eller, G. A. Eller, Committee. Adopted.

53rd. On motion, that the Clerk be allowed ten dollars for his services and that he deduct a sufficient amount for stationary and postage from minute funds, and that he spend the remainder thereof for printing and distributing minutes to the churches and other proper places. Adopted.

Report of Treasurer

RECEIPTS

Received collection at Sunday School Convention to buy Bible for Friendship church	$ 4.00
Total	$ 4.00
Received of Finance Com., for Associational Missions	9.49
" " Healing Springs church for " "	5.00
" " Clifton church for " "	5.00
Total	$ 19.49
Received Collection at Association for State Missions	4.92
" Individual pledges at Association for State Missions	11.60
" of Finance Com., at " " " "	8.66
Total	$ 25.18
Received of Finance Committee for Home Missions	5.50
Total	$ 5 50
Received of Finance Committee for Foreign "	6.41
Total	6.41
Received of Finance Com., for Sunday School Missions	.70
Total	.70
Received of Finance Com., for Ministeral Relief	1.77
Total	$ 1.77
Received of Finance Com., for Baptist Orphanage	11.87
" Collection at Association for Baptist Orphanage	48.72
Total	$ 60 59
Received Collection at Association for Charity & Children	2.00
Total	$ 2.00
Received Collection at S S. Convention for Minute Fund	1.68
" of Finance Committee for Minute Fund	31.40
" Contribution Minute Fund	2.60
Total	$ 35.68
Grand Total	$ 161.32

DISBURSEMENTS OF TREASURER

Paid to J. M. Hamby, for Bible for Friendship church	$ 4.00
" " M. L. Kesler Supt. Baptist Orphanage	60.59
" Subscriptions to Charity and Children	2.00
" to Walter Durham, Treasurer State Baptist Convention State Missions	8.66
" to Walter Durham, Treasurer State Baptist Convention Home Missions	5.50
" to Walter Durham, " " " " Foreign Missions	6.41
" to Walter Durham, " " " " Sunday School Missions	.70
" to Walter Durham, " " " " Ministerial Relief	1.77
" for printing 800 copies of minutes	20.00
" for stationary, postage, and distributing minutes	5.68
Retained for services as Clerk	10.00
In Treasury for Associational Missions	19.49
" " " State "	16.52
Total	$ 161.32

Respectfully submitted,
M. M. Blevins, Treasurer.

54th. On motion, adjourned to meet with Peak Valley church on Tuesday after the first Sunday in September, 1912. Prayer by Rev. P. H. Haire. Benediction by Rev. A. J. Hart.

Prof. J C. Goodman, Moderator.
M. M. Blevins, Clerk and Treasurer.

This clossed the 25th, annual session of the Ashe Association which was one of the greatest and most glorious sessions the Association has ever held. The work is planned for another year. Let every member discharge their full duty and the cause of Christ will be advanced, the churches will be built up, and God will be glorified, and another good session will be held at the appointed time. Clerk.

MESSENGERS PRESENT AT THE ASSOCIATION FROM THE VARIOUS CHURCHES TO-WIT:

Apple Grove—Sidney Tucker, Allen Miller, Harvey Clark.
Bald Mountain—Rev. J. A. Houck, J. W. Duncan, W. E. Carlton, Bower H. Duncan.
Baptist Home—Represented by letter, no messengers.
Beaver Creek—R. H. Goodman, J. C. Goodman.

Berlin—Rev. D. S. Hubble, J. T. Ring, E. C. Eller, H. A. Eller.
Bethel—C. W. Phillipps.
Big Flatts—Rev. P. H. Haire.
Big Laurel—John Eggers, L. A. Kilby.
Bristol—Represented by letter, no messengers.
Bushy Fork—Not represented in any way.
Buffalo—E. D. Harless, A. W. Hodgson, Lee Campbell.
Calvary—Rev. I. M. Carter, C. J. Carter, D. T. Jones.
Clifton—J. G. Miller.
Corinth—Rev. David Blackburn, J. F. Plummer, Wm Johnson, Elihu Baker.
Forest Home—Rev. R. L. Shoaf, W. A. Johnson, H. C. Poe.
Friendship—Rev. R. M. Burkett, G. W. Burkett, E. F. Marsh.
Healing Springs—M. M. Blevins, J. W. Huddle, Geo. Blevins.
Jefferson—S. A. Campbell, E. R. Brown, E. L. Tucker.
Landmark—Rev. W. F. Barker, J. C. Denney, James Hurley, Jacob Oliver.
Liberty Hill—J. H. Wagoner, A. M. Dixon, Wm. Sanders.
Long Branch—J. G. Welch, James Welch, Joe Gilley.
Meadow View—C. J. Gaultney.
Mission Home—J. E. Pope.
Mountain View—Represented by letter, no messenger.
New River—E. C. Perry, W. F. Phipps, John Deboard.
Obids—G. W. Brown, J. C. Parsons, Lee Harless.
Old Fields—W. W. Mills, G. A. Eller.
Peak Valley—W. H. Tyree, J. L. Mundy, J. M. Sluder.
Pleasant Hill—A. L. Stamper, Wm. Stamper, L. A. Wyatt.
Pleasant Home R. B. Hudler, W. R. Lovelace, W. A. Hudler.
Windfall—Rev. Elihu Tucker.
Zion Hill—W. H. Sheets, G. F. Lyal.

TABLE No. 1---FINANCIAL

CHURCHES	Pastors Salary	Building and Repairing	Incidentals	Sunday School Expenses	The Poor	Associat'al Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	S. S. Missions	Orphanage	Colleges and Schools	Ministerial Education	Old Ministers Relief	Other Objects	Minutes and Clerk	Total
Apple Grove	8 70															1 00	9 70
Bald Mountain	33 45	600 00		2 28			111	70	171						10 76	1 10	651 11
Baptist Home	35 66			2 00		10 00	335		135		665				12 00	90	71 91
Beaver Creek	25 00	100 00		3 00		10 00	470	400	470		1254					1 20	165 14
Berlin	31 22			3 00		10 00	790		870		659					2 60	70 01
Bethel	39 00			2 30		5 10	100				100					1 65	50 05
Big Flatts	16 25	30 00		2 10		1 00					200					50	51 85
Big Laurel	32 17	5 00									25					45	37 87
Bristol				1 00		1 35										50	2 85
†Bushy Fork																	
Buffalo	24 40					2 00					75					90	28 05
Calvary	10 00															50	10 50
Clifton	29 50			2 40		5 15	295				320					1 10	44 30
Corinth	14 75					70				70	115					1 00	18 30
Forest Home	8 25					5 00					150					60	15 35
Friendship	10 00			1 10			225									85	14 20
Healing Springs	14 35			2 75		5 00	100	100	100	50	150			50	1 50	1 50	30 60
Jefferson	4 75		2 00	2 00		2 50	200				235					75	16 35
Landmark	18 75			2 79		1 55		100			100					2 00	27 09
Liberty Hill	14 11	30 00		1 65											16 00	1 45	63 21
Long Branch	15 00				140	2 00	190				100					75	22 05
Meadow View				2 25												50	2 75
Mission Home	43 00			2 25			50	80			108			1 27	11 00	65	60 55
Mountain View	24 63			1 50										50		50	27 13
New River	26 00					2 50									1 00	1 00	30 50
Obids	23 85			4 48		35					110				23 34	1 00	54 12
Old Fields	30 28			3 60		4 00					331					1 90	43 09
Peak Valley	11 26	96		3 25		2 25	50				200					50	20 72
Pleasant Hill	15 60				215	1 00					59					75	20 09
Pleasant Home	47 52	3 00				3 00	100	100			235				29 50	1 30	88 67
Windfall	10 20					5 00										1 00	16 20
Zion Hill	19 38				698											1 00	27 36
Totals	$637 03	768 96	2 00	45 70	1053	79 45	3016	850	1746	120	5191			2 27	105 10	3140	179167

TABLE No. 2---STATISTICAL

Churches	Pastors and Postoffices	Clerks and Postoffices	Ti'e P'c'g S.	Value of Church Pro	Seating of Church	Baptized	Received by Letter	Restored	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Number Males	Number Females	Total Membership
Apple Grove	J. C. Blevins, GrassyC'k NC	Sidney Tucker, Park, Va.	2	400	300	1					1	17	52	69
Bald Mountain	T. M. Hayes, Nathans " "	J. W. Duncan, B'er C'k NC	1	600	300	21						19	35	54
Baptist Home	P. H. Haire, Fleetwood, "	L. J. Sturgill, Parker, N.C.	4	300	250	8	1					36	44	80
Beaver Creek	B. F. Wilcox, McGuire, "	L. H. Goodman, B'er C'k "	3	400	300				9			23	19	42
Berlin	P. H. Haire, Fleetwood, "	H. A. Eller, Berlin, N. C	1	200	150		4					20	20	40
Bethel	Elihu Tucker, Gra'y C'k, "	C. W. Phillipps, B'er C'k "	2	500	300			1	1		1	60	68	128
Big Flatts	B. F. Wilcox, McGuire, "	R. C. Parsons, Raven, "	2	530	300	3		1	2		1	12	25	37
Big Laurel	W. H. Michael, Trade, Tenn	W. B. Taylor, Hemlock, "	4	400	200				3			21	35	56
Bristol	W. A. Woodruff, Oval, N C	L. F. McLowes, Jefferson "	2	150	200				5			11	31	42
Bushy Fork		J. M. Rominger, Trade Tenn	1	500	400							12	11	23
Buffalo	R. M. Burkett, Theta, "	T. H. Ray, Tree Top, N. C.	4	400	300						1	26	47	73
Calvary	J. A. Houck, Beaver C'k, "	D. T. Jones, Grassy C'k, "	1	20					1			6	6	12
Clifton	P. H. Haire, Fleetwood, "	J. W. Welch, Dresden, "	2	400	400	6	1			2		38	52	90
Corinth	Elihu Tucker, Gra'y C'k, "	J. F. Plummer, Volney, Va.	1	500	400				1		1	30	54	84
Forest Home	R. M. Burkett, Theta, "	W. A. Johnson, Jeff'n, N.C.	2	200	500							12	11	23
Friendship	W. F. Barker, Gra'y C'k, "	E. F. Marsh, Theta, "	4	500	200	1			6	1		26	62	88
Healing Springs	W. F. Barker, " " "	I. N. Hudler, Crumpler, "	1	500	400	1			4	1		31	45	76
Jefferson	P. H. Haire, Fleetwood, "	W. L. Luther, Jefferson, "	1	400	300		3		2			21	14	35
Landmark	J. C. Blevins, Grassy C'k "	L. M. Brinegar, G'y C'k, "	4	300	300	13	3	2	2	2		51	90	141
Liberty Hill	Elihu Tucker, " " "	J. H. Wagoner, N's, C'k, "	3	330	300	12	3			2	1	22	25	47
Long Branch	P. H. Haire, Fleetwood, "	J. G. Welch, Eddison, "	1				1		1			17	18	35
Meadow View	David Blackburn, RugbyVa	Joseph Ready, G'y C'k, "	1	250	200	2	1	3				16	14	30
Mission Home	R. M. Burkett, Theta, N C	A. D. Phillipps, Fleetw'd, "	1	650	400	10			4		2	34	45	79
Mountain View	J. W. Poe, Laurel B'y Tenn	Bethany Miller, Gleen, "	1	300	150	2						1	12	13
New River	J. C. Blevins, Gra'y C'k "	E. C. Perry, Weaversf'd, "	3	500	400	21	2		8			40	79	119
Obids	R. M. Burkett, Theta, N C	H. M. Brown, Obids, "	3	400	400	3	3			1	1	30	52	82
Old Fields	Wm. M. Lee, Summit, "	H. M. Blackburn, Sum't, "	4	500	300	39	14	1	1	1	1	60	80	140
Peak Valley	P. H. Haire, Fleetwood, "	W. H. Tyree, Solitude, "	4	350	300		2	2			1	11	27	38
Pleasant Hill	A. J. Hart, Green Cove, Va	A. L. Stamper. Park, Va.	4	800	300				2			8	8	16
Pleasant Home	W. F. Barker, Gra'y C'k NC	W. A. Hudler, G'y C'k, NC	2	450	200	17		1		2	1	33	54	87
Windfall	Elihu Tucker, " " "	J. A. Wagoner, Park, Va.	4	400	300							13	17	30
Zion Hill	R. M. Burkett, Theta, "	G. F. Lyal, Wagoner, N C.	3		300		1	2		1		16	27	43
Totals				11930	9050	160	39	13	52	13	12	733	1179	1952

TABLE NO. III SUNDAY SCHOOLS---x Two girls recited from memory 2170 verses of scripture during this Sunday School. Apple Grove, Big Laurel, Brushy Fork, Buffalo, Forest Home, Pleasant Hill, Pleasant Home, Windfall, Zion Hill churches, do not report any Sunday School.

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENTS & POSTOFFICES		Officers, Teachers	Scholars	Total Enrollment	Number of Schools	Vol. in Library	Q'terlies Taken	Months Open	Av. Attendance	Number of Baptisms	Benevolent Contributions	School Expenses	Total Contributions
Bald Mountain	W. E. Carlton, Beaver Creek,	N. C.	6	78	84	1		40	3	40			2 28	2 28
Baptist Home	J. M. Arnold, Parker,	"	7	65	72	1		50	4	53			2 00	2 00
Beaver Creek	J. C. Goodman, Beaver Creak,	"	6	31	37	1		60	9	25			3 00	3 00
Berlin	J. T. King, Berlin,	"	7	41	48	1		20	6	30			3 00	3 00
Bethel	J. D. Baker, Nettle Knob,	"	4	91	95	1		30	6	45			2 30	2 30
Big Flatts	R. A. Goodman, Beaver Creek,	"	6	61	67	1		42	6	37			2 10	2 10
Bristol	G. O. Callaway, Jefferson,	"	4	30	34	1		20	5	22			1 00	1 00
Calvary	D. T. Jones, Grassy Creek,	"	3	20	23	1								
Clifton	J. A. Parsons, Clifton,	"	5	40	45	1		40	5	25			2 40	2 40
Corinth	J. F. Plummer, Volney,	Va.	5	110	115	1			6	65		70		70
Friendship	E. F. Marsh, Theta,	N. C.	5	75	80	1			6	40			1 10	1 10
Healing Springs	John Hudler, Crumpler,	"	6	35	41	1		56	6	30		50	2 75	3 25
Jefferson	S. A. Campbell, Jefferson,	"	4	57	61	1		60	5	30			2 00	2 00
Landmark	Edgar Denney, Grassy Creek,	"	4	81	85	1			5	40			2 79	2 79
Liberty Hill	J. H. Wagoner, Nathans Creek,	"	3	43	46	1		45	1½	25			1 65	1 65
Long Branch	Reuben Sexton, Eddison,	"	5	43	48	1				25				
xMeadow View	Troy Halsey, Grassy Creek,	"	4	69	73	1				50			2 25	2 25
Mission Home	J. E. Woodruff, Fleetwood,	"	7	66	73	1		76	5	40			2 25	2 25
Mountain View	V. Phipps, Glenn,	"	5	12	17	1			3				1 50	1 50
New River	Coy Blackburn, Grassy Creek,	"	10	69	79	1		80	3	41				
Obids	D. S. Burguess, Obids,	"	9	113	122	1	15	45	6	68			4 48	4 48
Old Fields	W. A. Phillipps, Idlewild,	"	7	90	97	1		3	6	60			3 60	3 60
Peak Valley	Mrs. E. M. Osborne, Dyson,	"	7	75	82	1		85	12	50			3 25	3 25
Totals			129	1395	1524	23	15	742	108½	841		1 20	$45 70	$46 90

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

1st. The Sunday School convention of the Ashe Association met in its fourth annual session with Friendship Baptist church Theta, N. C., July 28, 29, 30, 1911.

2nd. The introductory sermon was delivered by Rev. D. S. Hubble at 11 a. m. Text Mathew 6th chapter and 33rd verse, "But seek ye first the kingdon of God" etc.

3rd. Fifteen Church Sunday Schools were represented in the convention by the following named brethren to-wit: Ball Mountain—Rev. J. A. Houch, W. E. Carlton, J. W. Duncan; Baptist Home—L. J. Sturgill; Beaver Creek—J. M. Teague, J. C. Goodman; Berlin—Rev. D. S. Hubble; Bethel—J. P. Goodman, J. D. Baker; Big Flatts—Rev. P. H. Haire; Bristol—L. F. McLower; Friendship—Rev. R. M. Burkett, R. P. Witherspoon; Healing Springs—M. M. Blevins, I. N. Hudler, George Blevins; Jefferson—S. A. Campbell, W. L. Luther; Landmark—Rev. W. F. Barker, Edgar Denney; Liberty Hill—Rev. T. M. Hayes, A. M. Dixon, W. T. Jones; New River—Adolphus Brown; Obids—H. M. Brown; Old Fields—J. F. Blackburn; Rev. Elihu Tucker of Windfall church was present, Revs. D. S. Lee of the Caldwell, A. B. Hays of the Stone Mountain Associations were also present.

4th. The Convention was organized by electing Rev. Elihu Tucker Chairman and M. M. Blevins Secretary.

5th Upon request and on motion the Ashe County Musical Association was admitted to a seat in the convention, and the relation of music to the Sunday School, Church, Moral, and Social life, was added to the programe for discussion.

6th. The programe was discussed by the appointed speakers and many of the other brethren in an intelligent earnest christian manner.

RESOLUTION

7th. Whereas there are some of the churches of the Ashe Association that are not having any Sunday Schools. Therefore be it resolved by this convention in session. 1st. That it is the Biblical duty of every church to organize and maintain a Sunday school at the church house as in the immediate section thereof and to report the same to the next Sunday School convention and Association. 2nd. That this convention does

hereby tender its thanks to the members of Friendship church and the many friends of the community for their kind hospitality extended to the people during the sitting of this convention.

3rd. That the thanks are due and are hereby tendered to the Ashe County Musical Association for its service rendered this convention.

8th. At the close of the sermon delivered by Rev. D. S. Lee on Sunday a collection was taken which amounted to $5.68 to be used to buy a Bible for Friendship church and the remainder to be used as minute fund for printing these proceedings in the minutes of the Ashe Association.

9th. The next Sunday School Convention will be held with Liberty Hill Baptist, church Nathans Creek, N. C., 8 miles northeast of Jefferson, N. C. commencing on Friday before the 3rd Sunday in August, 1912. The introductory sermon to be delivered by Rev. R. M. Burkett at 11 a. m.

PROGRAME FOR NEXT CONVENTION

1st. What effect does the Sunday School have upon the social world? Speakers, Revs. J. A. Houck, P. H. Haire, and and M. M. Blevins.

2nd. Do the churches and Sunday Schools do their duty financially according to the teachings of the New Testament? Speakers Prof. J. C. Goodman, J. D. Baker, and Rev. Elihu Tucker.

3rd. What can we do to get our churches to run an evergreen Sunday School? Speakers, L. J. Sturgill, Rev. W. F. Barker, J. O. Goodman.

Elihu Tucker, Chrm.
M. M. Blevins, Secy.

OBITUARIES

Sister Kate Barker, widow of the late Alfred Barker departed this life May the 9th, 1910. For 40 or 50 years she was a faithful consistent member of Landmark Baptist church. Honored and loved by all who knew her, a faithful wife and loving mother, and an earnest faithful child of God. She died in the full triumphs of the faith of Christ. J. F. Fletcher.

Brother W. N. Luther, was born in Buncumbe County, N. C., April 25th, 1832. Departed this life Aug. 13th, 1911, Age 79 years, 3 months 18 days. He was married to Jane A. Foster

of South Carolina, April the 13th, 1854. To this union 8 children were born, 3 sons, and 5 daughters all of whom are now living. Bro. Luther lived a consistent christian life ever ready and willing to lend a helping hand to advance the cause of Christ. A good neighbor, and loyal citizen has gone to his eternal reward. He joined Buffalo Baptist church August 1883. In his death it has lost a member worthy of the name. May God comfort the family in their bereavement.

S. A. Campbell.

Sister Rhoda Hardin was born June the 2nd, 1838, departed this life Jan. 26th, 1911, Aged 71 years 7 months and 24 days. She was married to Frank Hardin many years ago, unto them no children were born. She joined Mount Pleasant church, now, Mission Home church about 24 years ago, and lived a consistant christian life, she was always at the church meeting, was a devoted wife, a true christian, a worker in the church. She leaves a husband and many friends to mourn their loss. Let her many friends take her as a model christian, and be ready to meet her in heaven. A Friend.

Sister Sarah Lawrence, was born March 30th, 1830, departed this life April the 26th, 1911, age 81 years and 26 days. She was married to A. J. Lawrence about the age of 15 years, or 66 years ago, her husband has been dead about 3 years, she has gone to rest with him. She professed a hope in Christ at the age of fifteen years, she joined the Mount Pleasant church now Mission Home church, about 60 years ago, and was a devoted member to her death, she was a good wife and mother, she was a true christian, a stake in Mission Home church, and leaves her children and many friends to mourn their loss. Let them prepare to meet her in Heaven. A Friend

Brother J. Robert Harless, was born August the 15th, 1885, and departed this life July 22nd, 1911, age 25 years 11 months and 7 days. He joined Obids Baptist church at about 19 years of age where his light shined brightly till his death. He is missed by his friends and loved ones. We full assured that his name is written in the Lambs book of life, and that God will raise him up at the last great day, where there will be no nore sorrow nor crying, for God will wipe away all tears from our eyes. While he is missed in our church and the church has lost a good brother, for he always filled his seat in the church, we feel that our loss is his eternal gain.

Asleep in Jesus, Oh! how sweet, From which none ever wakes to weep. J. C. Parsons.

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James Eller, Vice-President.....Berlin, "
M. M. Blevins, Clerk and Treasurer.....Crumpler "

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E. C. Eller.....Berlin, "
J, F. Dillard.....Orion, "

STATE MISSION BOARD:

H. A. Eller.....Berlin, "

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Blackburn, David.....Rugby, Va.
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Burkett, R. M.....Theta, "
Campbell, N. A.....Thaxton, "
Carter, I. M.....Grassy Creek, "
Cope, C. M.....Jefferson, "
Day, T. J.....Green Cove, Va.
Glenn, W. H.....Glenn, N. C.
Haire, P. H.....Fleetwood, "
Hart, J. R.....Chilhowie, Va.
Hayes, T. M.....Nathans Creek, N. C.
Hurley, Andrew.....Weasel, "
Osborne, W. A.....Solitude, "
Shoaf, R. L.....Warrensville, "
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Trivett, J. S.....Fleetwood, "
Tucker, Elihu.....Grassy Creek, "
Woodruff, W. A.....Oval, "

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J. M. Hamby.....Crumpler, N. C.
Coy Blackburn.....Piney Creek, "
Levi Green.....Beaver Creek, "
J, F. Blackburn.....Nettle Knob, "
J. F. Walters.....Nettle Knob, "

CONSTITUTION

Art. 1 This body shall be called the Ashe Association.

2 The object of this association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the gospel in our bonds and in all the world, and in this work the association will co-operate with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

3 The members of this body shall be all the ordained ministers of the churces of this association and three delegates from each church who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment and giving statistics of the membership and work of the church.

4 At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a moderator, clerk and treasurer in such way as the association may direct. The two last offices may be held by the same brother.

5 The moderator shall preside at the meetings, preserve ordera,ppoint committees and perform such other duties as are required of presiding offiicers.

6 The clerk shall keep correct record of the proceedings of the body and superintend the printing and distributing to the churches the proceedings of the body.

7 The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent to the association, pay them out as the association may direct and make a report to each annual session.

8 The Association shall hold an annual meeting at such time and place as may be agreed upon.

9 At each annual meeting there shall be appointed an Executive committee of three brethren who shall look after the destitution in the bounds of this association, and co-operate with the State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention making to the next session a report of the work done and of the general State Mission work.

10 The Association shall convene an nually on Tuesday after the first Sunday in September. At each annual session there shall be appointed committees to make reports to the ensuing session on the following subjects, to-wit: State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Pastoral Support, Ministerial Education, Baptist Orphanage, Bibical Recorder, Temperance, Digest church letters Finance, Place and Preacher for next Association.

11 Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

12 The Association will not receive nor retain in permanent fellowship any church that retains in its fellowship any member who is disorderly in doctrine or practice or who makes, sells or in any way deals in ardent spirits as a beverage.

13 This Constitution may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual session.

Eller and Brethren E. J. Norris and George Roten of the Three Forks, Rev. Geo. M. Reeves of the Alleghany Associations, Rev. W. R. Bradshaw, representing State Missions, Rev. W. D. Bostic,of Pochow,China and sister Blanche Barrus of Raleigh,N. C., representing the Womans' Missionary Union reported themselves and seated with the Association.

14 The Moderator appointed Committees to fill the vacancies of Standing Committees, to-wit:

a Pastoral Support, Rev.Geo.M. Reeves, Lee H. Goodman, J. R. Johnston.

b Digest Church Letters, R. H. Garvey, Miles Goodman, W. L. Luther, A. L. Stamper.

c Ministerial Relief, Rev. C. M. Cope.

d Religious Exercise, Rev. W. H. Michael, W. H. Tyree, J. M. Sluder, T C. Mundy, J. S. Allen. M. M. Blevins.

e To Nominate an Executive Committee, W. E. Carlton, R. F. Gentry, I. N. Hudler.

f Place and Preacher for next Association, A. M. Duncan, J. F. Dillard, Lee Harless, W. D. Brown.

g Resolutions, J. D. Baker, Geo. May, R. P. Witherspoon.

h Obituaries, Rev. R. M. Burkett, W. D. Brown, S. C. Blackburn.

i Sunday-Schools and Colportage, J. F. Blackburn, Wm. Sanders.

j To Select a Historian, A. M. Duncan, J. F. Dillard, Lee Harless, W. D. Brown.

15 Upon her request and on motion granted Corinth Baptist a letter of dismission.

16 Read query of Rev. I. M. Carter relative to Calvary Baptist church, in answer to the same the Association recommends and advises Calvary church to call the church together in Church Conference, grant letters of dismission to her members and to dissolve the church.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

17 North Carolina has had state wide prohibition since 1908. Four other states and 90 per cent. of the remaining territory of the entire South, have laws forbidding the sale of intoxicating liquors. It has been a great blessing to this state as well as to all dry territory. The church has been a great factor in bringing about the spendid results already achieved; but the battle, it seems is just begun, and we must fight on 'till the complete victory is won

As the state law in many instances is violated, and the federal law allowing parties outside our state and other dry territory, to ship liquors into territory forbidding the sale of intoxicants, should be changed. Therefore we insist that every member of our Association and churches do all that can be done for the enforcement of the state law, and also that every citizen write to the Senators and Representatives in Con-

gress,to support the now pending Sheppard-Kenyon bill,which will prohibit the shipment,under the guise of Inter-State Commerse, of liquor into dry territory, when shipment is intended to be used in violation of the law of the state in which delivery is to be made.

We urge that the Ashe Baptist Association continues to wage an uncompromising fight against the liquor traffic, which we regard as one of the greatest enemies of the human race.

Signed, J. W. DUNCAN, Com.

After being discussed by Revs. D. S. Lee, W. R. Bradshaw, W. D. Bostick, J. F. Eller, and Brethren J. W. Duncan and J. D. Baker. Adopted.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION

18 It is true that men of every avocation of life are striving for an education. The mechanic must have an education. The bookkeeper, the school teacher, all require this polishing touch to fit them for business in life. But Jesus says seek first the kingdom of heaven and His righteousness and all these things shall be added. But there is an effort on the part of every individual. God has wonderfully blessed us in a land of High Schools and Theological Seminaries.

Brethren, untill we are able to bring the men in contact with them it will do them no good. To solve this problem they must be allowed to drink at its fountain and catch the spirit. The churches of today are looking for men who can lead in thought, in example and in all that is right, and men who have the moulding and shaping of the lives of men should be of the very best type and that is Christ.

We are glad to say that 1910 afforded 73 students preparing for the Ministry, While 1911 gained 10. Your committee doesn't think there was ever a time that labourers were more needed than at present. Therefore be it resolved, that we as a body of Baptist pay our Pastors more and support the cause of Christ more liberally and earnestly and show our appreciation for the many blessings that we have received from His hands. God has given us this work to do.

Respectfully submitted W. E. CARLTON, Com.

After being discussed by H. A. Eller, Bradshaw and others, adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS EXERCISE

19 Your Committee report Devotional Exercise tomorrow morning at 8:30 A. M. to be conducted by Rev. J. F Eller.

20 W. H. Tyree announced homes for the messengers and visitors.

21 Adjurned till tomorrow morning at 8:30 A. M. Prayer by Rev. C. M. Cope, Bedediction by Rev. Geo. M. Reeves.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

32 Dear Brethren, The following is the report of your Executive Committee after considerable loss of time by correspondence your Committee succeeded in securing the services of Elder Geo. M. Reeves, for half a years work, as an Evangelistic Missionary in this Association.

He began work in the late fall and was aided by Elder C.M.Cope,who afterwards was secured as Missionary to work under the appointment and pay of the State Mission Board. These brethren held meetings with a number of churchs and at other points, Goodly numbers were added to the churches by baptism and the cause stengthened.

One church was organized at Orion four miles south east of Jefferson with hopeful out look, and a house of worship nearing completion. These brethren have given preaching to the church at Jefferson twice per month, and held a series of meetings with good results,the church is in much better condition than a year ago, Elder C.M. Cope has given monthly preaching to Orion and Jefferson churches also a mission point at Peak Creek, and preached at many other points. He and Elder Reeves have visited nearly all the churches in the Association. They regret that they did not have time and opportunity to hold protracted meetings with all the churches,we are glad to report that in our opinion most or all our people are encouraged at the results of the years work, we believe that the spirit attended the efforts of these servants as well as those of our pastors, so we thank God and take fresh courage for the future. Bro. Reeves looks to the pledges made by churches and individuals for his remuneration. Therefore we urge upon all who have not yet paid their pledge to do so now. Elder Cope is expected to remain on the work till the end of this conventional year which comes early in December, We regret to state that we have been unable to appropriate any of the funds pledged to aid weak or pastorless churches, for the following reasons: The churches failed to inform your committee of the needed and desired aid. Though they have called and secured pastors and were aiding them all they were able.

Second because many of the pledges were not paid early enough to enable the committee to make any safe calculation on what amount would be furnished. So whatever amount has been furnished for this purpose is yet unused.

In view of the good results attained by our last year efforts of the needs of our territory and churches and of the urgency of the work throughout the State, your committee recommends that we endeavor to raise by individual and church pledges not less than (400.00) four hundred dollars to prosecute the work in our own Association, and that we pray and labor for the success of the work severally and collectively during the entire year, We your committee add

to this report that in the meetings held and the work done by Revs. Reeves and Cope that there has been 130 or more souls professed faith in Christ and 50 or more have been baptized into the churches. We further recommend that the two ministers now at work in this field be retained, and that more active steps be taken on the part of the churches and lay members in looking after and caring for the needs of those who labor so zealous for the Master we feel that the demands of the different churches should arouse to their respective duty and see that our pastors are provided for and not forced to quit the field or neglect their loved ones at home.

We also feel that our beloved Brother W. R. Bradshaw who has been so faithful to attend our Association is entitled to our most sincere and heartfelt thanks for the great work he has done for us.

J. W. DUNCAN } Com.
H. A. ELLER }

On motion after being discussed by H. A. Eller and J. W. Duncan, adopted.

After the adoption of this report the following pledges were made for Associational Missions, to-wit:

Church Pledges

Apple Grove S. S.	$ 2.00	Clifton	2.50
Beaver Creek	5.00	Friendship pp by R.P.W.	1.00
Berlin	5.00	Healing Springs	3.00
Bethel	5.00	Landmark	1.00
Big Flats	2.00	New River	2 50
Big Laurel	1 00	Old Fields	1.00
Buffalo	1.00		
		Total	$32.00

Individual Pledges

L. J. Sturgill	$ 2.00
C. M. Cope	1.00
Geo. M. Reeves	2.00
Total	$ 5.00
Grand total	$37.00

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

33 State Missions have been well defind as the work bringing the whole Gospel in touch with the whole life of the State. This task then will not be completed until the leaven of Christianity has permeated the entire commonwealth, until all the people have accepted Christ as Savior and Lord and until the Christian religion is accepted and lived in every house and every heart endeavoring to do their full share in the accomplishment of this God given task. The Baptist of North Carolina have, for more than half a century done mission work through the agency of the State Mission Board. The aim is a self-sustaining Baptist church in easy reach of

tribute something for the support of their pastor. We further urge that each active member of all the churches aid in every possible way in securing means for the support of their pastors of the different churches, for in so doing we only discharge our scriptural duty and fulfill a christian obligation. We think it a disgrace to any active church to call a pastor to travel over this rough country through heat and cold so often each year and pay him only from $8.00 to $25.00 as so many of our churches do. We your committee recommend that each and every member awake to their christian duty toward supporting their pastor better in the future than in the past. Respectfully submitted. J. R. JOHNSTON, LEE. GOODMAN } Com.

On motion after being discussed by Bradshaw and others, adopted.

REPORT ON MINISTERS RELIEF.

37 The Baptist State Convention has a Relief Fund for the benefit of disabled and infirm ministers and their widows. We have some in our Association who are receiving aid from this fund, which is to them a great help. Are we as christians doing what we ought for this great cause? We answer no. Therefore let every church in this Association and us as a body of christians come to the aid of our worthy veterans of the cross, and show our appreciation for their past service by contributing to this cause and taking special collection in each church at Christmas for this cause. Respectfully submitted.
C. M. COPE, Com.

On motion after being discussed by C. M. Cope, J. C. Goodman, Bostick and Bradshaw, adopted.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS EXERCISE

38 Your Committee report devotional exercise tomorrow morning at 8:30 A. M., to be conducted by Rev. R. M.Burkett.

39 Adjourned till tomorrow morning at 8:30 A. M. Prayer by Rev. Geo. M. Reeves. Benediction by Rev. D. S. Lee.

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION, SEPT. 5, 8:30, A, M,

The Association met according to adjournment. Devotional exercise was conducted by Rev. R. M. Burkett, reading Romans 12th chapter. Prayer by S. C. Blackburn and J. F. Blackburn.

40 The Association was called to order by the Moderator.

41 Read and approved Wednesdays proceedings.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HISTORIAN

42 Your Committee recommends for Historian Prof. J. O, Goodman. Respectfully submitted. A. M. DUNCAN, J. F. DILLARD, LEE HARLESS } Com.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE AN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

43 Your Committee nominates for an Executive Committee, J. W. Duncan, E. C. Eller, J. F. Dillard. Respectfully submitted.

R. F. GENTRY
W. E. CARLTON } Com.
I. N. HUDLER

Adopted.

REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS

44 After deliberating over the various needs in the bounds of our Association and realizing the great benefits we have derived from the labors of our beloved brethren, to-wit: Revs. Geo. M. Reeves and C. M. Cope who were placed in our field by our Executive Committee and the State Board, beg leave to submit the following resolutions: Be it resolved:

1st That we urge all the churches in the bounds of this Association to be more liberal with God's means that He has placed in their hands to aid in the great State Mission cause.

2nd That we contribute more liberal for the support of our beloved orphan children at Thomasville. For God has said to "Visit the fatherless and the widow in their afflictions and to keep ourselves unspotted from the world."

3rd Seeing the evil influence of men setting up mercantile stands, photographic galleries, watermelon wagons and pop stands around and near all our large religious gatherings. Therefore, be it resolved; That we use our united efforts with our next General Assembly of North Carolina to have laws passed that will prohibit this growing evil in order that we may worship God undisturbed.

4th That we tender our sincere thanks as a body to the officers of this Association for their faithful and courteous manner in which they have conducted the business of the same.

5th That we as a body of christians do hereby tender our sincere and heartfelt thanks to the brethren and friends of Peak Valley church and community for the kind, benevolent and hospitable entertainment given the messengers, visitors, and people in general during the sitting of this Association with this church. Respectfully submitted.

J. D. BAKER
R. P. WITHERSPOON } Com,
GEO. MAY

On motion adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLACE AND PREACHER FOR THE NEXT ASSOCIATION

45 We your Committee on place and preacher for the next Association submit the following report: The next Association to be held with Obids Baptist church, Obids, Ashe county, N. C., 10 miles southeast of Jefferson, N. C., and 22 miles west of North Wilkesboro, N. C., commencing on Tuesday

after the first Sunday in September, 1913. The Introductory sermon to be delivered by Rev. R. M. Burkett at 11 A. M. Alternate, Rev, T. M. Hayes. Respectfully submitted.

A. M. DUNCAN
J. F. DILLARD
LEE HARLESS } Com.
W. D. BROWN

Adopted.

46 The Clerk was authorized and empowered to appoint the annual Committees to write reports on the various subjects as set forth in article 10 of our Constitution. Thereupon the following Committees were appointed, to-wit:

State Missions, Hugh Hagaman.
Home Missions, E. H. Graybeal.
Foreign Missions, H. A. Eller.
Pastoral Support, C. W. Phillipps.
Ministerial Education, Prof. J. C. Goodman.
Baptist Orphanage, J. H. Wagoner.
Biblical Recorder, P. H. Haire.
Temperance, J. R. Johnston.
Digest Church Letters, J. D. Baker, W. L. Luther.
Finance, R H. Goodman, J. S Miller, J. N. Hudler.

The Committees will please take notice of their appointments and the subjects they are to write upon and have their reports at the next session of the Association. If any of the committes cannot be at the Association please write your report and mail the same to the Clerk of the Association at least 10 days before the Association convenes. The reports are very necessary and ought to be made in due time

CLERK.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON OBITUARIES.

37 During the year the Master has called one of our beloved Pastors, Rev. J. A. Houck and a number of our Brethern and Sisters to their reward, six obituaries have been handed to your Committee for publication in our Minutes, your Committee recommends that any church having deceased members and desiring an obituary of them to appear in our Minutes, that the church have a brief obituary prepared and ready by the next Association. Respectfully submitted.

R M. BURKETT
W. D. BROWN } Com.
S. C. BLACKBURN

48 The Association retired to the grove for futher business.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS,

49 We as individual members and as church members of the Ashe Association. must first get ourselves right before the Lord, then get our churches in good working order, so that we may spiritually expand and reach many precious souls. The Lord is not a respector of persons, so as a great body representing the Ashe Association let us spiritually arise and

give earnest prayer and do any available work that is before us to bring about the saving of souls in this great territory of Home Mission work. Respectfully submitted.

R. H. GOODMAN, COM.

On motion after being discussed by Rev. J. M. Kester, Adopted.

Upon the adoption of this report the following pledges were made for Home Missions, to-wit:

Church Pledges

Beaver Creek	$ 3.00	Friendship	2.00
Berlin	2.50	Healing Springs	2.00
Big Flats	1.00	Landmark	1.00
Buffalo	2.50	Old Fields	2.00
Clifton	2.00		
Forest Home	1.00	Total church pledges	$ 19.00

Individual Pledges

J. D. Baker, paid for Bethel church	$ 1.00	D. M. Tyre	.75
C. W Phillipps " "	1.00	Total individual pl'gs	$ 3.75
E. H. Graybeal & Sons for Baptist Home	1.00	Total for Home Mis'ns	$ 22.75

The Association recommends that each and every church that has not made pledges for the various objects to which we coutribute set special times and take collections for the various objects of our work.

REPORT ON BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

50 From the annual report of Thomasville Baptist Orphanage for the fiscial year ending June the 15, 1912, we had in the Orphanage at that date 372 children an average for the year 371 children. The amount ot money received during the year from all sources was $ 79.288,66

The amount paid for the care and support of 372 children for the year was $ 39,137.76

Leaving $ 40,150.90

Of this amount $ 39,939.45 was applied on the indebtedness of the institution, interest on the same, internal improvements, furnishings, etc.,

Leaving not yet expended $ 211.45

Of this amount $ 33,827.30 came in as the current fund and a liberal part came from the earnings of the different departments of the work carried n by the Orphanage.

The actual c ›st per month per capita for food, clothing and the high standard of moral, physical and mental training is the small -um of $8.78. The year was a glorious one, in the

amount and high grade of work done in the school and otherwise, The current fund was very satisfactory, but there is a great increase in demand to keep this work going as there are a large number of applications for admission but they have to be turned down for want of room.

The sanitary conditons of the instituion are excellent, no deaths or serious illness reported during the year. Now brethren, there is still a greater privilege to aid in this glorious work than ever before. Brother W. L Kenedy and his wife have given to the Thomasville Baptist Orphanage, a farm of 1200 acres, valued at about $100,000.00 and the managers of the institution are planning to establish a branch orphanage on this farm. In order to do this they must have buildings and equipments, for this work, To whom can they make this appeal for the funds except the Baptist of North Carolina? Let each member of this Association do their part in this great work, by so doing they will be blessed by the Lord. Respectfully, submitted,

CLINT L. BLEVINS, Com.

After being discussed by Prof. B. B. Daugherty, R. L. Shoaf, W. R. Bradshaw adopted and a collection taken for the orphanange amounting to $25.48. Let all the churches remember that Thanksgiving day is set apart for special contributions to the orphanage, and that each Sunday School take monthly collections for the orphanage during the ensuing year.

51 The Moderator called for volunteer messengers to go to the Baptist State Convention. There being no response there to, it was suggested and recommended that if any one should go to the convention, that they go as a messenger, from the Association.

REPORT COMMITTEE ON DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS AND COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

52 The reports of both the above committees being verbatim, and only on the financial part of the church letters are merged into one report, as follows, to wit:

Associational Missions	$ 2.00	Orphanage	17.70
State	2.00	Old Ministers Relief	1.77
Home	4.02	Minute Fund	26.00
Foreign	4.17		
		Total	$ 57.66

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. GARVEY,
A. L. STAMPER,
R. H. GOODMAN,
W. L. LUTHER,
MILES GOODMAN, } Com.

53 The Minute fund being short a contribution amounting to $4.40 was made by a part of the churches to supplement the fund which will be added to their original Minute fund and appear in the financial table.

54 On motion the Clerk was allowed ten dollars for his services and a sufficient amonut for stationary and postage from the Minute fund and that he spend the remainder thereof for printing and distributing Minutes to the churches and other proper places.

REPORT OF TRFASURER—RECEIVED

Associational Missions in	Treasury at close of last session	$ 19.49
" "	Received since	42 20
Total		60.69
State "	in Treasury at close of last session	16.52
" "	Received since	70.50
Total		87 02
Home "		6.75
Foreign "		24.67
Orphanage		46.11
Old Ministers Relief		1.77
Minute Fund		32.65
Grand Total		$259.66

DISBURSMENTS OF TREASURER

Paid R.M.Burkett	Pastor	Forest Home church	Asso. Mis'ns		$10.00
"	"	Zion Hill	"	"	10.00
" W.H Michael	"	Peak Valley	"	"	10.00
" J F.Walton	"	Mountain View	"	"	5.00
Total					$ 35,00
" Geo,M.Reeves	Associational Missionary		State	"	$ 70.00
" Walter Durham	Treas.	Baptist State Convention			
			Home	"	$ 6 75
" "	"	" "	Foreign	"	24.00
" "	"	" "	Old Ministers Relief		1.77
" M. L. Kesler	Gen'l Manager	Baptist Orphanage			46.11
" A. S. Carson	for printing 800 copies of Minutes				20.00
" Stationery and postage					2.65
Retained for services as Clerk					10.00
Associational Missions in Treasury					25 69
State " " "					17.02
Total					$259.66

Respectfully submitted, M. M. BLEVINS, TREASURER.

55 After singing and giving each other the parting hand adjourned to meet with Obids Baptist church on Tuesday after the first Sunday in September 1913 prayer by Rev. P. H. Haire Benedcition by Rev. C. M. Cope

J. C. GOODMAN, MODERATOR

M. M. BLEVINS, CLERK.

MESSENGERS PRESENT AT THE ASSOCIATION

CHURCHES

Apple Grove, Sidney Tucker.
Bald Mountain, J. W. Duncan, A. M. Duncan, W. E. Carlton.
Baptist Home, A. G. Graybeal, M. L. Sturgill.
Beaver Creek. R. H. Goodman, Miles Goodman, T. F. Ray.
Berlin, J. T. King, E. C. Eller, H. A. Eller, E. T. Childers.
Bethel, C. W. Phillipps, J. D. Baker.
Big Flatts, Rev. P. H. Haire, L J. Jordan.
Big Laurel, Hugh Hagaman, Loyd Kilby.
Bristol, Letter, no messengers,
Buffalo, Calvin Hodgson, Wiley Hodgson.
Brushy Fork, no report or messenger.
Calvary, " " " "
Clifton, J. G. Miller, Geo. May, J. M. Parsons
Corinth, no report or messenger.
Forest Home, Revs. R. L. Shoaf, T. J. Day, H. C. Poe.
Friendship, Revs. R. M. Burkett, R. P. Witherspoon, Charlie Burkett, Dave Burkett.
Healing Springs, M. M. Blevins, J. N. Hudler.
Jefferson, W. F. Gentry, W. F. Eller, W. L. Luther.
Landmark, Edgar Denney, John Keasley.
Liberty Hill, E. E. Hudler, W. M. Sanders, H. L. Goodman.
Long Branch, no report or messenger.
Meadow View Letter, no "
Mission Home, W. E. Blackburn.
Mountain View, John A. Davis.
New River, W. D. Brown, S. C. Blackburn, Worth Phipps.
Obids, Lee Harless.
Old Fields, J. R. Johnson, J. T. Blackburn, W. C. Blackburn.
Orion, Rev. C. M. Cope, J. F. Dillard, Wm Miller.
Peak Valley, W. H. Tyree, T. C. Mundy, J. M. Sluder. J.S. Allen
Pleasant Hill, A. L. Stamper.
Pleasant Home, no messenger.
Windfall, " report or "
Zion Hill, Jessie Lyall.

Financial

CHURCHES	Pastors Salary	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	S. S. Expenses	The Poor	Associat'nl Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	S. S. Missions	Orphanage	Colleges and Schools	Ministerial Education	Aged Ministers	Other Object	Minutes and Clerks	Totals
Apple Grove	10 15		$	1 80			*5 00				*5 00					1 00	21 15
Bald Mountain	55 00	130 00		3 00			9 55	1 00	50		7 78					1 50	207 13
Baptist Home	24 55		10 25	4 00		5 00										25	43 05
Beaver Creek	32 50			5 00		10 00	55 00	3 67	3 67		8 55					20	119 59
Berlin	43 50	3 25	55 00	7 70	2 60	10 00	65 00	2 35	2 35		6 50				4 50	2 75	200 20
Bethel				3 00			42 30									2 05	54 65
Big Flats	11 50	40 00					3 00		1 15		2 60						61 90
Big Laurel	26 85					2 00	4 00										33 40
Bristol	13 80		11 28				3 02										28 75
Buffalo	27 80			2 00		10 00									6 00	1 10	46 90
† Brushy Fork																	20
Clifton	21 42			2 00		11 45	8 56	1 40	1 45		3 15					1 45	50 88
Forest Home											1 00						1 75
Friendship	28 00	6 25		3 25			7 75				1 00					1 45	47 70
Healing Springs	12 75			7 43		5 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	65	10 15			1 65	3 25	2 00	49 88
Jefferson		38 00	4 40	6 50			50 00	1 00	1 00		1 00			1 00		1 00	103 90
Landmark	18 75	450 00		2 00		2 75										2 00	475 50
Liberty Hill	6 90	5 00		1 65		2 00	2 00									1 05	18 60
† Long Branch																	
Meadow View	5 00															60	5 60
Mission Home	42 63			8 85			14 00	50								95	66 93
Mountain View	16 51	300 00														50	317 01
New River	25 00			5 00		2 50	2 50									1 00	36 00
Obids	49 50			2 70		2 00	2 00									70	152 40
Old Fields	31 90			3 00			37 35	1 27	1 27			16 50	†20 00		5900		80 04
Orion	65 00	800 00		1 60			15 24	1 25	1 25		2 57			1 27		1 41	888 64
Peak Valley	16 80			4 11		2 50					2 00			50		1 80	30 85
Pleasant Hill	17 32			60	5 00	3 00	1 71				5 23						27 87
Pleasant Home	19 75					2 50	2 50				1 20					1 30	26 05
† Windfall																	
Zion Hill	10 00															54	10 54
Totals	$632,88	1772 50	$80 93	751	97 60	70 70	335 48	1344	1364	65	74 23	20 00		4 42	7275	3265	3207 06

* $5.00 State Missions. * $5.00 Orphanage paid by Ambrose Clark. †$20.00 Colleges and Schools paid by W. A. Severt. † No reports.

Statistical

CHURCHES	Pastors and Postoffices	Clerks and Postoffice	Preaching	Value of Chrch Pro.	Seating Capacity	Baptized	Received by Letter	Restored	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Died	Number of Males	Number of Females	Total Membership
Apple Grove	T.J.Day, Green Cove,Va.	Sidney Tucker Park Va.	2	400	300						1	17	46	63
Bald Mountain	TMHayes,Nath'ns crkNC	J.Duncan Beaver crk N.C	1	730	300	1	2			7	1	18	34	52
Baptist Home	W.H.Michael,Trade,Tenn	L J. Sturgill Parker "	4	300	250				5	2		32	41	73
Beaver Creek	P H.Haire,Fleetwood.NC	L Goodman Beaver crk"	3	400	450	13	2	2			1	31	29	60
Berlin	P. H,Haire " "	H. A. Eller Berlin, "	1	200	200	26	3		4	1		30	33	63
Bethel	ElihuTucker,Grasy crk "	C.. Phillips Beaver crk "	2	500	300		1	1	10	1	2	55	63	118
Big Flats	B.F.Wilcox, McGuire, "	R C. Parsons Raven, "	1	570	400	8						14	31	45
Big Laurel	W.H.Michael,Trade,Tenn	W. B. Taylor Hemlock "	4	400	200							21	35	56
Bristol	W.A.Woodruff,Oval, N C	B. F. Goings Jefferson "	3	150	200	7	2	1	2	7	1	13	29	42
Buffalo	R. M Burkett,Theta, "	P.BumgardnerTreetoy "	4	500	300				1	1		26	40	66
Brushy Fork		J. Raminger Trade Tenn.	1	500	400							12	11	23
Calvary		D.J.Jones Grassy crkN.C	1									6	6	12
Clifton	P.H.Haire,Fleetwood, "	J. W. Welch Dresden "	2	400	300	1						38	53	91
Corinth		J.F.Plummer Velney Va.	1	500	400							30	54	84
Forest Home	R.M.Burkett, Theta, "	W.Johnson JeffersonN C.	2	200	500						1	11	11	22
Friendship	R.M.Burkett, Theta, "	E. F. Maash Jefferson "	1	500	200		2		3	4	1	21	47	68
Healing Springs	J.C.Blevins, Grasy crk "	I.N.Huddler Crumpler "	1	500	400	13		1		2	2	31	55	86
Jefferson	Geo. Reevs Laurel spgs"	W. L.Luther Jefferson "	2	700	300	14	10		2	4		21	30	51
Landmark	J. C. Blevins Grasy crk "	L Brinegar Grassy crk "	4	500	400	3	5				5	49	85	134
Liberty Hill	Elihu Tucker " " "	J.WagonerNathans crk"	3	335	300	1					1	25	22	47
Long Branch		J. G. Welch Eddison "	1									17	18	35
Meadow View	G. Pennington Rugby Va.	JosephReedy Grasy crk"	4	250	200	10	1				1	19	20	39
Mission Home	T. HaysNathans crk N.C.	A. Philipps Fleetwood "	1	650	400	5	3	2				41	55	96
Mountain View	J. F. Walton, Azen Va.	J. A. Davis Glenn "	3	300	300	1	1	2				4	12	16
New River	J.C.Blevins Grasy crkN.C	E C.Reny Weaversford"	3	500	400	6			1		1	40	81	121
Obids	L. B. Murry State R. "	H. M. Brown Obids "	4	400	400				2		1	29	50	79
Old Fields	Wm. Lee Summit "	H. Blackburn Summit "	3	400	300	7			2			59	85	144
Orion	C. M. Cope Jefferson "	J. F. Dillard Orion "	3	1000	300	17	12					10	24	34
Peak Valley	W.H.Michael Trade Tenn	W. H. Tyree Ashland "	4	350	300	2			3	1		12	24	36
Pleasant Hill	T. J.Day Green Cove Va.	W. H. Stamper Park Va	4	800	300	20	2	2				19	23	42
Pleasant Home	J.C.Blevins Grass crkN.C	W.LovelaceGrasy crkNC	4	400	200	3		1			1	36	56	92
Windfall		J. S. Wagoner Park Va.	3	400	300							13	17	33
Zion Hill	R. M. Burkett Theta "	G. F. Lyall Wagoner NC.			300	2			5	2		12	22	34
Totals				13535	9800	160	46	12	40	32	20	812	1242	2054

Sunday Schools

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENTS POSTOFFICES		Officers Tchrs	Scholars	Total Enrollment	Number of Schools	Volumes in Libreary	Quarterlies Taken	Months Kept Open	Average Attendance	Number of Baptisms	Contributions for Missions, Orphanage, &c	School Experses	Total Contributions
Bald Mountain	W. E. Carlton, Baldwin,	N. C.	5	50	55	1			6	25		7 31	1 80	9 11
Baptist Home	J. M. Arnold, Parker,	"	6	35	41	1		40	5	30			3 00	3 00
Beaver Creek	J. C. Goodman, Beaver Creek,	"	5	40	45	1		3	12	23		8 55	4 00	12 55
Berlin	E. C. Eller, Berlin,	"	8	97	105	1		72	6	65		6 50	5 00	11 50
Bethel	W. W. Phillips, Nettle Knob,	"	12	198	210	2		100	6	88			7 70	7 70
Big Flats	R. A. Goodman, Raven,	"	5	35	40	1			6	35			3 00	3 00
Clifton	J. G. Miller, Clifton,	"	5	40	45	1			3	30			2 00	2 00
Friendship	David Burkett, Jefferson,	"	6	131	137	1			6	52			3 25	3 25
Healing Springs	M. D. Blackburn, Crumpler,	"	8	84	92	1		150	6	36			7 43	7 43
Jefferson	J. W. Badger, Jefferson.	"	4	104	108	1				35			6 50	6 50
Landmark	Edgar Denney, Grassy Creek,	"	5	65	70	1		40	4	30			2 00	2 00
Liberty Hill	J. H. Wagoner, Nathans Creek,	"	4	54	58	1		54	1	30			1 60	1 65
Mission Home	C. H. Williams, Fleetwood,	"	6	50	56	1		30	5	30			8 85	8 85
New River	M. W. Blevins, Weaversford,	"	6	58	64	1		125	9	20			5 00	5 00
Obids	D. H. Burguess, Obids,	"	8	75	83	1	15	40	6	52			2 70	2 70
Old Fields	J. R. Johnson, Idlewild,	"	7	100	107	1		78	8	65	7		3 00	3 00
Orion	W. J. Barr, Orion,	"	6	144	150	1			9	50			1 60	1 60
Peak Valley	D. B. Clark, Asheland,	"	9	74	83	1		82	12	50			4 11	4 11
Pleasant Hill	Lee Dolinger, Park,	Va.	6	40	46	1		30	4	31				60
Pleasant Home	W. R. Lovelace, Grassy Creek,	N C.	7	71	78	1		50	2	41				
Totals			128	1545	1673	21	15	894	106	858	7	22 36	73 19	95 55

SUNDAY-SCHOOL CONVENTION

NATHANT CREEK, ASHE COUNTY, N. C., Aug. 16, 1912.—The Sunday-School Convention of the Ashe Association met in its Fifth Annual Session with Liberty Hill Baptist church at 11 A. M.

1 The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Rev. C. M. Cope, Text 2nd Corinthians, 5th chept. 17 verse. Conclusion by Rev. E. Tucker.

2 The Convention was called to order by Rev. E. Tucker. the Chairman.

3 Called for Sunday-School report. Thereupon the following reports were handed in and messengers enrolled, to-wit:

Bald Mountain, J. W. Duncan. Berlin, Walter Ashley.
Bethel, J. F. Blackburn. Friendship, W. P. Witherspoon, Dave Burkett.
Healing Springs, M. M. Blevins, M. D. Blackburn.
Liberty Hill, J. H. Wagoner, W. G. Jones.
Orion, C. M, Cope Wm. Dillard, Lee Lambert.

4 The Convention was organized by electing Rev.E.Tucker, Chairman, and M. M. Blevins, Secretary.

5 The Chairman appainted J. H. Waroner, W. G. Jones, I. N. Hudler a committee on Religious Exercise.

6 Adjourned one hour for refreshments.

7 The Convention met at 2 P. M. and was called to order by the Chairman. Prayer by Rev. D. S. Lee.

8 The Chairman appointed the following committees,to-wit:
Time and Place for next Convention, I. N. Hudler, Wm. Dillard, J. F. Blackburn.
Programe for next Convention, Revs. Geo. M. Reeves, C. M. Cope, T. M. Hayes.
Resolutions, M. M. Blevins, C. M. Cope, D. S. Lee.
To Supply place of Absent Speakers, First Item, Geo. M. Reeves. Third Item, C. M. Cope. T. M. Hayes.

9 The Committee on Religious Exercise report preaching tonight in the church at 7:30 P. M., by D S. Lee, to be concluded by T. M. Hayes. Devotional exer ise tomorrow morning at 9 A. M., to be conducted by E. Tucker. Sermon at 2 P. M., by Geo. M. Reeves.

10 The Convention adopted Cross and Crown as the leading song book for our Sunday-Schools.

11 The Chairman invited visitors to seat in theConvention; Rev. Geo. M. Reeves and J. P. Shepherd of the Alleghany, and Rev. D. S. Lee of the Caldwell Associations reported themselves and seated with the Convention.

12 J. F. Blackburn was appointed to conduct the singing during the Conventinn.

13 J. H. Wagoner announced homes for the messengers and visitors.

14 Adjourned till tomorrow morning at 9 A. M ,prayer by C. M. Cope. Benediction by E. Tucker.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION AUG. 17TH.

15 The Convention meet at 9 A. M. Devotional exercise was conducted by Rev. E. Tucker, reading Romans 12th, Chapter. Prayer by E. Tucker.

16 The Convention was called to order by the Chairman. Read and adopted Fridays proceedings.

17 Took up the programe. The First and Third Items were discussed by Geo. M. Reeves, M. M. Blevins, D. S. Lee, C. M. Cope, T. M. Hayes.

18 E. C. Eller, J. H. Wagoner and J. P. Goodman were elected a Sunday School Committee for the Ashe Association J. F. Blackburn was elected Superintendent of Sunday Schools and Secretary of the Sunday School Committee.

19 Received and read reports of Landmark, and Bethel Sunday Schools No 2 and enrolled messengers Edgar Denney, J. D. Baker.

20 1 P. M. Adjourned one hour.

21 2. P. M. The Audience assembled in the church for preaching by Geo. M. Reeves, who delivered an able sermon to an attentive audience Text Nehemiah 8 Chapter,7th verse.

22 The Convention was called t› order by the Chairman.

23 Took the second item of the programe which was discussed by J. D. Baker.

24 The next convention will be held with Orion Baptist church 4 miles east of Jefferson, commencing on Friday before the the Third Sunday in August 1913. The introductory sermon to be delivered by Rey. R. M. Burkett at 11 A. M. Alternate Rev. P. H. Haire.

25 Programe for next convention. 1st The Ministry of the Sunday School. Speakers J. F. Blackburn, J. O. Goodman, J. D. Baker. Geo. M. Reeves. 2nd The Superintendent that Superintends. Speakers. The Ashe Association W. C. Eller, J. H. Wagoner. 3rd The teachers that teaches. Speakerl J. C. Goodman, C. M. Cope, M. M. Blevins. 4th The School of the churcn or the church at work in the Sunday School. Speakers. P. H. Haire, R. M. Burkett, T. M. Hayes.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

26 Whereas we know from the teachings of the Bible both the old and the new Testament, that it is the duty of all christian people to teach God's law to their children, their childrens children, to their neighbors and their neighbors children, your committee knows of no better way to discharge this duty than to do this teaching around the fire side in the

home and in the Sunday School, and whereas since the last session of this convention God in his wisdom has seen fit to take from among us our beloved Brother and pastor Rev. Joseph A. Houck and a number of sisters of Liberty Hill Baptist church. To-wit Aurora Wagoner, Birdie Hudler, Etta Fowler, Pearl Brown, and Elizabeth Blevins, and during the sitting of this session our beloved sister Katie Burkett who was the mother of our Brother Rev. R. M. Burkett. Therefore be it resolved.

1st That is the duty of every church of the Ashe Association to organize and maintain a Sunday School in each church for a term of six months and if possible 12 months during the year.

2nd That we submit to the will of God in the dispensation of his providence in the death of dear ones that the companions and children have lost dear companions a kind father and mothers the churches a dear pastor, and devoted christians. That the sincere sympathies and prayers of this convention are extended to and in behalf of the bereaved ones of the deceased, and that a copy of these resolutions be given to the companions of the deceased ones.

3rd That the sincere thanks are due and are hereby tendered to the members of Liberty Hill Baptist chuurch, and the many kind friends of the community thereof for the kind hospitable manner they have entertained and cared for this convention during the sitting of this session.

M. M. BLEVINS
C, M. COPE } Com.
D. S. LEE

27 The Committee on religious exercise report singing and prayer service Sunday morning 10 A. M. till 11 A. M. Sermon at 11 A, M. by D. S. Lee.

28 Adjourned till Sunday morning 10 A. M. prayer by C. M. Cope. Benediction by T. M. Hayes.

SUNDAY MORNING SESSION AUG. 18th. 10 A. M.

29 The Convention meet according to adjournment, spent one hour in singing and prayer.

30 Took a collection to aid in the completion of Liberty Hill church which amounted to $10.12.

31 11 A. M. Sermon by D.S. Lee Text 1st John,3rd Chapter, 9 verse.

32 Adjourned to meet with Orion Baptist church on Friday before the Third Sunday in August 1913 at 11 A. M.

E. TUCKER Chairman.
M. M. BLEVINS Secretary.

P. S Let every church of the Ashe Association organize and report a Sunday School to the next Convention. CLERK.

Obituaries

JOSEPH A. HOUCK

Rev. Joseph A. Houck was born April 15, 1850, departed this life Jan. 23, 1912, age 61 years 9 months and 8 days. He was married to Emaline Burkett April 28, 1877, unto this union 9 children were born, 6 boys and 3 daughters. He professed faith in Christ about 29 years ago and united with Bethany M, E. Church South and lived a consistant member until about 2 years before his death. he joined Bald Mountain Missionary Baptist church for which he lived a consistant member until his death. In his death the church has lost a good brother, his family a good father and husband. We feel that our loss is his eternal gain. Weep not companion, children and friends for if we be ready when the death angel shall come for us we feel assured that we can strike glad hands with him on the other shore where there will be no sad partings, and where we all can be with our Father who died for us and be with Him and Bro. Joe. forevermore.—J, W. Duncan, W.E. Carlton. C. E. Truitt, Committee.

AURORA WAGONER.—Sister Aurora Wagoner was born Dec. 23rd, 1878. Departed this life March 29th. 1912, aged 33 years, 3 months, 6 days. she was married to J. H. Wagoner in the year of 1900. To this union were born 5 children, 3 boys 2 girls all of whom are living, She professed a hope in Chirst in the year 1901, and joined New Hope church 1907. She and Bro. Wagoner were in the organization of Liberty Hill Baptist church of which she lived a faithful member till the Lord called her up higher. She was always at her post wanting to do something for up building of Christs Kingdom. She was a loving wife and mother and a good neighbor. May her friends take her as a model christian and prepare to meet her in Heaven. Husband and children have lost a loving wife and mother. The church a faithful member but our loss is her eternal gain. Children prepare to meet mother where sickness and death never comes, and where parting will be no more. A few more years shall roll;a few more seasons come;and we shall be with those that rest asleep in the Lord. —Delia Jones, M. A. Goodman, Sallie Roupe.

BIRDIE MAE HUDLER.—Sister BirdieMae Hudler a daughter of S. S. and Mollie Revis was born Sept, 29th, 1889. Departed this life Aug. 6th. 1910. She joined Liberty Hill Baptist church Sept. 15,1907, and lived a faithful member till death. She was married to W. W. Hudler Dec. the 15, 1909. We say to the friends and relatives, prepare to meet Birdie whre parting wil be no more.—A Friend.

SISTER ANNIE PEARL BROWN, wife of W. W. Brown, was born June 21, 1886. Departed this life Bpril 1,1910, aged 24 years 9 months and 20 days. She joined Liberty Hill Baptist church Jan. 1, 1910. She leaves a husband, an infant son and host of friends to mourn their loss.—A Friend.

ELIZA BLEVINS.—Sister Eliza Blevins was born March the 7, 1879. departed this life Oct. 9, 1911,aged 32 years,7 months, 2 days. She joined Liberty Hill Baptist church in the year 1908.—A Friend.

ETTA FOWLER.—Sister Etta Fowler was born Jan. 16, 1868, departed this life May 27, 1911, aged 43 years, 4 months, 11 days. She joined Liberty Hill Baptist church Sept' 1910. She leaves two children, one son and one daughter. and a host of friends to mourn their loss, but their loss is her eternal gain.—Sallie Roupe Ennice Dixon, Delia Jones.

FLORENCE DEBORDE.—Sister Florence DeBorde, a daughter of Ambrose and Mary Barker, was born June the 2,1865, departed this life July 1912, aged 47 years 1 month, 9 days. She professed faith in Christ about 15 years ago. Two years later she joined the German Baptist church and lived a consistant christian life in said church about 8 years, then she joined New River Baptist church about 5 years ago, and lived u pious christian the remainder of her life. She was married to Jabuis DeBorde March the 9, 1905. To this union were born two children. She leaves a loving husband. two children and a hostof friends to mourn their loss.—A Friend

A. P. HOWELL.—Brother A. P. Howell was born Feb. the 2, 1844,departed this life Aug.4,1912, aged 68 years,6 months, 2 days. He joined Mount Pleasant Baptist church about 40 years ago, and lived a faithful member thereof a number of years. Then moved his membership to Landmark Baptist church where he lived a faithful and consistant christian life till death. Bro. Howell was loved by all who knew him, and always ready to give his church good advice. While he is missed by us we feel that he is only sleeping until the resurection morn when he shall arise to sing praises to his blessed Saviour and shall dwell with those that have been redeemed by the blood of the Lamb.—A Friend.

MOLLIE HURLEY.—Sister Mollie Hurley was born June 17, 1889, departed this life June 19 1912, aged 23 years, 2 days. She was the daughter of Rev. W. F. and Measey Barker. She joined Landmark Baptist chorch 8 years ago and lived a faithful christian life till her death. She was married to Harvie Hurley April 15, 1911. Sister Mollie is missed by her many friends and loved ones. While she is missed by us we feel the sweet assurance that she is safe in the arms of Jesus. We thank God for the testimony that she left us. While upon her death bed she would clap her hands for joy, and praise God and tell father, mother and friends that she was going home. Let us all live so we can meet sister Mollie.—Edgar Denny,

BROTHER GEORGE W. BLEVINS was born May 24, 1848, died Nov. 18, 1911, He joined Healing Springs Baptist church in 1888, ahd lived a faithful member till death. He was very prompt to attend church. He died in the triumphs of faith and we believe is now enjoying his reward.—A Friend.

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CONSTITUTION

Art. 1 This body shall be called the Ashe Association.

2 The object of this association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the gospel in our bounds, and in all the world, and in this work the association will co-operate with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

3 The members of this body shall be all the ordained ministers of the churches of this association, and three delegates from each church, who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment, and giving statistics of the membership, and work of the church.

4 At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a moderator, clerk and treasurer in such way as the association may direct. The two last offices may be held by the same brother.

5 The moderator shall preside at the meetings, preserve order, appoint committees, and perform such other duties as are required of presiding officers.

6 The clerk shall keep correct record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing, and distributing to the churches the proceedings of the body.

7 The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent to the association, pay them out as the association may direct, and make a report to each annual session.

8 The Association shall hold an annual meeting at such time and place as may be agreed upon.

9 At each annual meeting there shall be appointed an Executive committee of three brethren, who shall look after the destitution in the bounds of this association, and co-operate with the State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention, making to the next session a report of the work done and all the general State Mission work.

10 The Association shall convene annually on Tuesday after the first Sunday in September. At each annual session there shall be appointed committees to make reports to the ensuing session on the following subjects, to-wit: State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Pastoral Support, Ministerial Education, Baptist Orphanage, Bibical Recorder, Temperance, Digest church letters, Finance, Place and Preacher for next Association.

11 Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

12 The Association will not receive nor retain in permanent fellowship any church that retains in its fellowship any member who is disorderly in doctrine, or practice, or who makes, sells, or in any way deals in ardent spirits as a beverage.

13 This Constitution may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual session.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES

1 We believe in one only true and living God, and that there are three persons in the God head, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost and that these three are one.

2 We believe that the Bible, the Old and New Testament is the word of God and the only rule of Faith and Practice.

3 We believe in the impotency of man and the sovereignity of God.

4 We believe that salvation is by grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5 We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ to be practiced only by believers in their scriptural order.

6 We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator and that only those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and in doctrine should take the Lord's Supper.

7 We believe in the final perseverance of the saints in grace to glory.

8 We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment.

9 We believe that the existence of the righteous and of the wicked will both be of eternal duration and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

RULES OF ORDER.

1 Every session shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2 When the Moderator calls the house to order every member shall at once take his seat.

3 When a member wishes to speak he shall rise

address the Moderator and not proceed till he has been recognized.

4 No member shall speak more than twice on any subject except by permission of the body.

5 No member shall leave the body during the session without permission of the Moderator.

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ORDER OF BUSINESS.

FIRST DAY 11 A. M.

1 Introductory sermon.
2 Adjournment.

FIRST DAY 1 P. M.

1 Assembling of Association.
2 Roll call of churches and enrollment of messengers.
3 Organization and election of officers.
4 Reception of new churches.
5 Invitation to visitors.
6 Reading Constitution. Abstract of principals and Rules of order.
7 Appointment of Committees.
8 Announcement of Homes for Messengers and visitors.
9 Report of Committee on Religious Exercise.

SECOND DAY 8:30 A. M.

1 Devotional Exercise.
2 Report of Committee on Digest of Church letters.
3 Report of Executive Committee.
4 10 a. m. Report on State Missions.
5 Report of Miscellaneous committees to 12 m.
6 Adjournment for noon.

SECOND DAY 1 P. M.

1 Report on Home Missions.
2 Reports of Miscellaneous Committees.
3 Report of Committee on Religious Exercise.
4 Adjournment.

THIRD DAY 8:30 A. M.

1 Devotional Exercise.
2 Report of Miscellaneous committees to 10 a. m.
3 10 a. m. Report on Foreign Missions.
4 11:30 a. m. Report on Baptist Orphanage.
5 Miscellaneous.
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NOTICE! All Committees and individuals repre-

senting the different departments of our work, please remember that promptness to action of doing, and the system of doing at the proper time is the key to success in all things, therefore be ready when the time comes.

CLERK.

DIRECTORY OF THE ASHE ASSOCIATION.

OFFICERS.

Prof. J. C. Goodman, Moderator...Beaver Creek, N. C.
James Eller, Vice-President.....Berlin, "
M. M. Blevins, Clerk and Treasurer.....Crumpler, "

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

J. W. Duncan.....Beaver Creek, N. C.
E. C. Eller.....Berlin, "
J. F. Dillard.....Orion, "

MEMBERS STATE MISSION BOARD:

H. A. Eller.....Berlin, N. C.
J. Fred Blackburn.....Idlewild, "

ORDAINED MINISTERS:

Barker, W. F.....Grassy Creek, N. C.
Blackburn, David.....Rugby, Va.
Blevins, J. C.....Grassy Creek, N. C.
Burkett, R. M.....Theta, "
Campbell, N. A.....Thaxton, "
Carter, I. M.....Grassy Creek, "
Cope, C. M.....Jefferson, "
Day, T. J.....Green Cove, Va.
Glenn, W. H.....Glenn, N. C.
Haire, P. H.....Fleetwood, "
Hart, J. R.....Chilhowie, Va.
Hayes, T. M.....Nathans Creek, N. C.
Hurley, Andrew.....Weasel, "
Osborne, W. A.....Solitude, "
Pennington, George.....Park, Va.
Shoaf, R. L.....Warrensville, N. C.
Stanley, J. F.....Hemlock, "
Trivett, J. S.....Fleetwood, "
Tucker, Elihu.....Grassy Creek, "
Woodruff, W. A.....Oval, "

LICENTIATES:

Blackburn, Coy.....Piney Creek, N. C.
Blackburn, J. Fred.....Idlewild, "
Carlton, W. E.....Baldwin, "
Green, Levi.....Beaver Creek, "
Grub, T. W....." " "
Walters, Roby.....Nettle Knob, "

MESSENGERS PRESENT AT THE ASSOCIATION

Representing the different churches, to-wit:

Churches

Apple Grove, Rev. Geo. Pennington.
Ball Mountain, J. W. Duncan, C. E. Trivett.
Baptist Home, Letter, no messengers.
Beaver Creek, W. H. Garvey, J. M. Teague, R. H. Goodman.
Berlin, H A Eller, C E Eller, J T King.
Bethel, R G Johnson, J A Goodman, J D Baker.
Big Flatts, G T Greer, R C Parsons, F C Church.
Big Laurel, Loyd Kilby.
Bristol, Letter, no messengers.
Brushy Fork, not represented.
Buffalo, David Harless, Dr S L Perkins, W A Hodgson.
Clifton, J G Miller.
Forest Home, Rev R L Shoaf, Rev T J Day, W A Johnson, R F Johnson.
Friendship, Rev R M Burkett, D A Burkett, R P Witherspoon, Albert Houck.
Healing Springs, M M Blevins, C L Blevins, Hiram Baker.
Jefferson, S A Campbell, E L Tucker.
Landmark, Rev I M Carter, J C Denny, James Hurley, W P Johnston.
Liberty Hill, letter no messengers.
Long Branch, James Welch.
Meadow View, letter no messengers.
Mission Home, Wiley Blackburn, J E Woodruff.
Mountain View, J J S Denney, J A Davis, George Coldiron.
New River, J A Garvey.
Obids, R C Parsons, D H Burguess, Benjamin Miller.
Old Fields, J R Johnston, G F Blackburn, J F Blackburn.
Orion, E D Coldiron, J F Dillard, W H Miller.
Peak Valley, E E Sluder, W H Tyree.
Pleasant Hill, W H Stamper, Arthur Hart.
Pleasant Home, Rev J C Blevins.
Wind Fall, Rev Elihu Tucker.
Zion Hill, W H Sheets, Jesse Lyall.

Annual committees who were appointed to write reports on the various departments of the work of the Baptist cause of the Ashe Association and report the same to the next annual session of the Association, to-wit:

Rev. C M Cope,.....State Missions
H A Eller,.....Home Missions

W H Garvey,.....Foreign Missions
J R Johnston,.....Pastoral Support
Dr S L Perkins.....Ministerial Education
T F Ray.....Baptist Orphanage
W E Carlton.....Biblical Recorder
D H Burguess.....Temperance
J Fred Blackburn.....Sunday School and Colportage

Digest Church Letters: L H Goodman, J D Baker, Clinton L Blevins, A W Hodgson, H A Eller.

Grouping Churches and forming fields in the Ashe Association: J W Duncan, E C Eller, J F Dillard, R H Goodman, M M Blevins.

Finance: J H Wagoner, J A Garvey, J G Miller.

PROCEEDINGS

Obids, Ashe County, N. C.
Tuesday, September 9th, 1913.

The Ashe Baptist Association met in its 27th annual session with Obids Baptist Church at 11 a. m., and the following proceedings were had, to-wit:

1 The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Rev. R. M. Burkett, Text, Gallatians 6th chapter and 10 verse, Let us do good &c.

2 Adjourned 1 hour, prayer by Rev. P. H. Haire.

Tuesday Evening Session, Sept. 9th, 1 p. m.

3 The Association met according to adjournment and was called to order by the Moderator, Prof. J. C. Goodman, prayer by Rev. George Pennington.

4 Called the roll of churches there upon 28 letters were handed in and read by H. A. Eller and W. A. Hodgson. Later in the session two other letters were handed in and roll of messengers enrolled whose names appear on another page of this proceeding. 30, and all the churches were represented by letters except Brushy Fork was not represented in any way 27 churches were represented by letters and messegers.

5 The Association was organized by re-electing Prof. J. C. Goodman, Moderator and M. M. Blevins Clerk and Treasurer, by acclamation.

6 The Moderator appointed Rev. W. W. White to preach in the grove at 2 o'clock p. m., who retired thereto and delivered a good Gospel sermon to a large audience.

7 The Moderator invited visitors to a seat in the Association thereupon Rev. W. W. White, of Piedmont. Rev. I. C. Miller, of the Three Forks, Rev. G. B. Walker, of the Stone Mountain, Rev Geo M Reeves of the

Alleghany, Rev. J. C. Cox and Rev. W. A. Hash, representing the Home Board Mission School at Oak Hill, Va., of the New River, Rev. W. R. Bradshaw, representing State Missions of the South Fork, Bro. John E. Ray, representing State Missions and the school for the blind at Raleigh, N. C., of the Central and F. B. Hamrick, representing the Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville, N. C., of the Liberty Associations all reported themselves and were extended the hand of welcome by the Moderator, and seated with the Association.

8 The Clerk read Constitution, Abstract of Principals and Rules of Order.

9 The Moderator appointed the following named committees to fill vacancies of absent and former committee's, to-wit:

State Missions, Rev C M Cope, Rev Geo M Reeves and Bro J T King.

Home Missions, Rev. J. C. Blevins, Rev. George Pennington.

Sunday Schools and Colportage, Dr S L Perkins.

Digest Church Letters, J G Miller, L H Goodman, R H Goodman.

Ministerial Relief, J M Teague, R P Witherspoon, Albert Houck.

Obituaries, Rev R L Shoaf, Rev T J Day J C Denney.

Resolutions C L Blevins Rev Elihu Tucker Rev R M Burkett Rev W R Bradshaw Rev Geo M Reeves.

J F Dillard was associated with the committee on Foreign Missions.

To nominate an executive committee and name a Historian Brethren, W H Garvey, H A Eller, David Harless, David Burkett, Dr S L Perkins.

Finance, J D Baker, L H Goodman, R H Goodman.

Place and Preacher for next Association, J G Miller, W H Tyree, James Garvey.

Religious Exercises, R C Parsons, D H Burguess, Benjamin Miller, E C Eller, A W Hodgson, Thomas Greer.

10 That the reading of the church letters to the Association be disposed of, and that the committee on digest of church letters report the contents thereof to the Association on the second morning of the setting of the Association.

11 That the Moderator, Clerk and the Executive Committee select a committee on digest of church let-

ters.

12 Report of Committee on Religious Exercise. Your committee report devotional exercise tomorrow morning at 8:30 a. m., to be conducted by Rev. Geo. Pennington, preaching in the grove at 11 a. m., by Rev. J. C. Cox.

R. C. Parsons
D. H. Burguess
Ben Miller } Com.
A. W. Hodgson
E. C. Eller

13 Bro. D. H. Burguess announced homes for the messengers and visitors.

14 Adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 8:30 a. m. Prayer by Rev. J. C. Cox.

Wednesday Morning Session, Sept. 11th, 8:30 a. m.

15 The Association met according to adjournment. Spent one-half hour in devotional exercise, conducted by Rev. Geo. Pennington by reading Gallatians 6th chapter. Praper by Rev. W. A. Hash and John E. Ray.

16 The Association was called to order by the Moderator.

17 Read and adopted Tuesday's proceedings.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

18 Your Committee secured the service of Elder Geo. M. Reeves for one-half of his time to work as an Evangelistic Missionary and to preach once a month to Jefferson and Orion churches. He began his work early in December at the beginning of the Conventional year. He reports to us that he has worked in six meetings in which were about fifty professions of faith in Christ and about twenty baptisms as a result of these meetings and has delivered two sermons per month to Jefferson and Orion churches. The work at Jefferson has been moving splendidly, had a good meeting there in April. The Sunday School there is doing well. Bro. Reeves has delivered eighty or more sermons and traveled more than 800 miles. His one-half year work will not be done until he fills his appointments at Orion to Nov. the first and at Jefferson to Dec. the first.

Your Committee also secured the service of Rev. W. J. Banks as an Evangelistic Missionary for all his time to work in the northern part of the Association. He began his work early in December 1912, and has done a most wonderful work. He reports to your Committee that he has delivered 218 sermons, witnessed 106 conversions and additions to the churches by Bap-

tism and letters 100, and has received for his work $124.25, also has received from State Mission Board $150.00 Total $274.25 and has collected for Missions $16.0 . He has supplied two churches Meadow View and Baptist Home, and organized four Sunday Schools. he has done all he could do on account of bad health. Bro. Banks secured the aid of Rev. Geo. M. Pennington to aid him in this work and to fill his appointments when he (Banks) was unable to do so.

We are gratified with the work that has been done during the past year, and are anxious for the work to go forward, your committee recommend that the churches form fields where possible as a means to secure pastors, and that the Association provide means at this session to prosecute and continue this work in our Association. Being mindful of the fact that new enterprises are coming among us with a new population of people. We as a body of Baptist brethren should awake, and see our needs and take no backward step in this work, but do as much or more at this session with our means in pushing this work than we have in the past year, to carry on the mission work in our bounds. The Bible way to secure these means is found in first Corrinthians 16th chapter and second verse, upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store as God hath prospered him, that there be no gathering when I come.

Respect. submitted,
J. W. DUNCAN,
E. C. ELLER, } Com.
J. F. DILLARD,

Discussed by W. R Bradshaw, Dr. S. L. Perkins, H. A. Eller, John E. Ray, Rev. George Pennington.

19 Rev. Geo. M. Reeves made a verbal report of his work as Evangelistic Missionary of the Association which was very encouraging.

20 That the matter of forming the churches into fields be invested in the executive committee with two other Brethren of its own selection to be associated with the Ex-Com.

REPORT MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

21 The Baptist Ministers Relief Board was established twenty-three years ago, during that time it has given relief to one hundred and three beneficiaries, ministers and ministers widows. There are at present thirty-six dependent upon this board. This is the greatest number ever receiving aid from this board at

one time. There are several applications now pending showing that the increase of beneficiaries may be expected to continue. The beneficiaries receive from twenty-five to two hundred dollars per year. Many of them need more, some of them have no other means of support. That the aid extended may be adequate to the needs of the beneficiaries, it is frequently necessary to increase the appropriation. The expense of the board last year was more than usual because of the board sending a representative to a number of the Associations. The falling off of the board's receipts for the last two years of $800—$600 in 1911 and $200 in 1912. The increasing number of beneficiaries and the necessity of giving more aid to those already aided because of the high cost of living makes an increase of funds imperative, hence the sending of a representative, it is the aim of this board that no one who has been a worthy proclaimer of God's truth shall suffer for the necessities of this life. We desire that every Baptist of the Ashe Association have a part in this great work. Let us hear the call and heed the same by a liberal contribution for those worthy brethren and their widows, your committee recommend that each church of the Ashe Association take a collection on the Sunday of their meeting nearest Christmas for this cause. Respect. submitted,

ALBERT HOUCK,
R. P. WITHERSPOON, } Com.
J. M. TEAGUE,

Discussed by Rev. P. H. Haire.

REPORT ON BIBLICAL RECORDER.

The Biblical Recorder is a great power for good. It makes earnest appeals for every claim of christianity. It teaches the people in a masterful way, the great doctrines and principals of the New Testament christianity. We recommend that all pastors and present readers of the Recorder make a streneous effort to in crease its subscription list in the Ashe Association. The substription price (1.50) one dollar and fifty cents per year bears no comparison to the inestimable good that may result from the careful reading of its noble columns It informs us as to what we stand for as a Baptist people, and at the same time calls us to higher service and greater usefullness in our Master's service. So let us strive to increase its circulation among our people. Respect. submitted,

P. H. HAIRE, Com.

Discussed by Rev. G. M. Reeves, F. B. Hamrick.

REPORT MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

23 The Association retired to the grove for the reading and discussion of this report: The Baptist people of the Ashe Association, ministers and laymen, need a more definate knowledge of what we as a Baptist people stand for. We ought to study more carefully the scriptural authority for a Missionary Baptist Church, for if we really understood what our faith and principles mean and have always meant for the Christian world we would love our church more and serve our Lord better. If we were in full possession of Missionary Baptist convictions, we would be more active toward the spread of the Gospel. We would be more sympathetic toward the unsaved, of our own, as well as foreign land.

We rejoice that there are so many Baptist schools and colleges giving efficient training to so many ministers. On the other hand, we regret that the ministers of our Association are not in reach of, or in touch with these great institutions. The nearest Baptist school to our Association is the Oak Hill School. We hope that our people may awake to their opportunity and begin to take more interest in that school than they have done heretofore. At the least, Brethren, let us take the Recorder into our homes, and with it and an open Bible, let us learn, why we are, what we are.

Respectfully submitted. J. C. GOODMAN, Com.

At the close of the reading of this report. It was very forcibly and feelingly discussed by Rev. J. C. Cox, the principal of the Oak Hill Home Board Mission School located at Oak Hill, Va. At the close of the discussion a collection was taken for this cause which amounted to $19.00 and delivered to J. C. Cox.

Later Dr. J. W. Colvard, of Jefferson, N. C., gave for the education of young ministers at Oak Hill School $5.00 Total for this $24.00.

24 H. A. Eller was elected president of the Ashe Association to represent the Oak Hill School in this Association and to secure funds for the same. Bro. Eller asked that each church elect some good active member of the church to do this work in their church. He also recommends that each church during the year invite Bro. Cox, to visit the church and preach to the church upon the subject of a Christian Education.

25 Adjourned one hour for recreation.

Wednesday Evening Session, Sept. 10th, 1 P. M.

26 The Association met according to adjournment and was called to order by the Moderator. Prayer by Rev. R. M. Burkett.

REPORT PASTORAL SUPPORT.

27 Your Committee recommended that we do more for our pastors and talk less. Resp sub C. W. PHILLIPPS,

Discussed by Rev. W. R. Bradshaw, John E. Ray.

REPORT FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Foreign Missions is a work left by Christ for the church to do, same as all other christian work. The command is go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel. Until this is done the command is not obeyed. The world is ready and invites the Gospel. Heathen lands are more approachable than ever before. Consecrated men and women offer their efforts and lives in the work. The workers at the front beg for more laborers. The board is paralized by debt for work all ready done, it is urged to increase the force on many fields, and to enter others. It is powerless to do so, only as the churches respond to the call for increase.

The convention has 275 Missionaries and 571 native workers on the different fields, and yet in most fields and in many ways the work is only begun. During last conventional year there were 4,532 baptisms, $543,446 was raised for the work last year. Forty years ago less than $50,000 was raised for this work. We have $900,000 in equipment of foreign fields, in the way of schools, publishing plants, hospitals etc. The membership of our churches on the foreign fields is reported at 27,545. The practacability of foreign missions has been demonstrated. The Bible is printed in 540 languages, and more christian rulers than the world has had hitherto. Now seems an opertune time for our best efforts; while God is overturning Horay Systems of error in every land. He is giving to us in the Southland wealth and prosperity beyond our expectations and adding thousands annually to our numbers. With all these encouragements, and more, let us take fresh courage to prosecute this work with more faith and energy.

Your committee suggests that special emphases be placed upon tithing as a minimum standard of giving. We recommend that this Association take no backward step in this work of last year, but if practical to go farther for the incoming year, also that we remember to pray for the success of this work. Submitted,

J. F. DILLARD, H. A. ELLER, Com.

Discussed by H. A. Eller, Rev. P. H. Haire, Rev. C. M. Cope. At the close of the discussion the following individual and church pledges were made for Foreign Missions to-wit:

INDIVIDUAL PLEDGES FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Bertha Eller	$5 00	Flats paid	1
C M Cope	2	R G Johnston paid	1
Geo M Reeves	5	J A Davis paid	1
Geo M Pennington	2 50	Mrs W H Garvey paid	1
E C Eller	5	H A Eller paid	1
H A Eller	5	F C Church paid	75
C W Phillipps	5	G F Blackburn paid	25
J Fred Blackburn	1 50	Hiram Baker paid	50
W E Carlton	4 00	Rev J C Blevins paid	50
D H Burguess for Obids church	1	Rev G M Pennington pd	25
M M Blevins	2	Johnson Carter paid	25
C L Blevins	1	Rev T J Day paid	25
L J Sturgill	1	Rev C M Cope paid	25
W H Sheets	1	Rev Elihu Tucker paid	25
T F Ray, paid	1	R P Witherspoon paid	25
R M Burkett paid	1	D H Burguess paid	25
J G Miller paid	1	J F Dillard paid	25
Rev P H Haire paid	1 25	Individual pledges	$41 00
G W & H M Brown pd	1	Individual pledges pd	14 25
R C Parsons for Big		Total individual pldgs	$55 25

CHURCH PLEDGES FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Beaver Creek	$6.00	Landmark	$2.00
Berlin	6.00	Long Branch	1.00
Bethel	3.25	Mountain View paid by J. J. S. Denney	1.00
Big Flats paid by F C Church	1.00	New River	2.00
Big Laurel	1.00	Old Fields	5.00
Buffalo	3.00	Orion	2 00
Clifton	2.50	Peak Valley	1.00
Forest Home	1.00	Pleanant Hill	1.00
Friendship	2.00		
Healing Springs	2.00	Total church pledges	$45.25
Jefferson	2.50		

The Association recommended that each church take a collection for Foreign Missions and forward their pledges and collections to Walters Durham, (Treas.) at Raleigh, N. C., on or by the 25th, day of May 1914.

29 2 p. m. The Moderator appointed Rev. I. C. Miller to preach in the Grove, who retired thereto and in his usual way delivered a good sermon to a good audience.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

30 We as individual members and as Church members of the Ashe Association must get ourselves right before God, then get our churches in good working order, so that we may spiritually expand, and reach many precious souls, as God has no respect of persons, As a great body representing the Ashe Association let us endeavor to rise and give earnest prayer and consecration to the great work of the Lord in saving souls in this great territory of the Home Mission work.

Respectfully Submitted,
J. C. Blevins
G. M. Pennington } Com.

Discussed by John E. Ray, Dr. S. L. Perkins, the Association recommend that all Individuals and churches do something for this cause, at least duplicate their pledges for last year and forward the same to Walters Durham, Raleigh, N. C., prior to May 1st, 1914.

REPORT PLACE AND PREACHER FOR NEXT ASSOCIATION.

31 Your Committee selects and recommends Clifton Baptist Church, Clifton N. C., 8½ miles west of Jefferson. N. C. and 40½ miles west of North Wilkesboro, N. C., Rev. T. M. Hayes to deliver the Introductory Sermon at 11 a. m., Rev G. M. Pennington Alternate,

Respectfully Submitted
J. G. Miller
W. H. Tyree } Com.

REPORT COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE AN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND NAME A HISTORIAN.

32. Your Committee nominates for an Executive Committee, J. W. Duncan, E. C. Eller, J. F. Dillard and also name for Historian Prof. J. C. Goodman.

Respectfully Submitted
H. A. Eller
S. L. Perkins
E. D. Harliss } Com.
D. A. Burkett
W. H. Garvey

REPORT COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS EXERCISE

33 Your Committee report devotional Exercise tomorrow moring at 8:30 a. m. to be conducted by Rev. Elihu Tucker, preaching at the stand at 10 a. m. by Geo. Pennington, Preaching at the stand at 11 a. m. by

Rev. W. R. Bradshaw. Respectfully Submitted

D. H. Burguess
R. C. Parsons
Ben Miller
E. C. Eller
A. W. Hodgson

34 Adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 8:30 a. m. Prayer by Rev. C. M. Cope.

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION SEPT. 11 8:30 A. M.

35 The Association met according to adjournment, spent one-half hour in devotional exercise conducted by Rev. Elihu Tucker, reading Romans 1st Chapter, Prayer by Rev. Elihu Tucker.

36 The Association was called to order by the Moderator.

37 Read and adopted Wednesdays proceedings.

38 The Moderator extended the invitation to visitors, thereupon Brethren G. W. Sebastin of the Stone Mountain and Prof B. B. Dougherty of the Three Forks Associations reported themselves and seated with the body.

39 The fact that Brushy Fork Church has not reported to the Association for two years was brought before the Association. There upon Revs. W. W. White and Geo Pennington volunteered to visit Brushy Fork Church and report the condition of the church to the next session of the Association.

40 Rev Geo Pennington retired to the Grove and delivered an able sermon to a large audience Text Isiah 33rd chapt. 14 verse. The Sinners in Zion are afraid etc.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO APPOINT A COMMITTEE ON DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS.

41 Your committee appoints for committee on digest of church letters L. H. Goodman, J. D. Baker, C. L. Blevins, A. W. Hodgson, H. A. Eller,

Respect. Committee

J. W. Duncan,
J. F. Dillard
E. C. Eller, Com.
M. M. Blevins,
J. C. Goodman

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO APPOINT AN ADDITIANAL COMMITTEE TO AID IN JOINING CHURCHES INTO FIELDS.

42 Dear Brethern we the executive committee J. W.

Duncan, E. C. Eller, J. F. Dillard, appoint as additional committee to aid in joining the churches into fields R. H. Goodman, M. M. Blevins

Respectfully Submitted,
J. W. Duncan,
E. C. Eller } Com
J. F. Dillard

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOL AND COLPARTAGE.

43 Your committee recommends and advises that every church in the Aassociation organize and maintain and ever green Sunday school, and that each and every member let their light shine by attending school every Sunday. The key of success is in securing officrs and teachers who have the cause at heart, and who have the christain confidence and respect of the community in which they live. The reports from the churches show that 23 churches have Sunday school with an enrollment of officers and teachers..... 148
Pupils..... 1737
Average attendance..... 1052
Baptisms from schools..... 7
School expenses..... $79.75

Eight churches have no Sunday school. This association should have and maintain a colparter. Therefore your committee recommends for this position Bro. J. Fred Blackburn.

Respect. Submitted
Dr. S. L. Perkins } Com

Discussed by Dr. S. L. Perkins and John E. Ray Berlin Sunday school having succeeded in an ever green Sunday school and in securing the greatest average attendance etc., was awarded the Bible given by J. Fred Blackburn, by John E Ray for this success.

44 J. Fred Blackburn was appointed colparter for the ensuing year.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES

45 Your committee is unable to submit a report on obituaries for want of information. Therefore your committee recomend that the churches having deceased members make up obituaries of the deceased ones and forward the same to the clerk in time to have them printed in our minutes.

Respectfully Submitted,
R. L. Shoaf,
T. J. Day,
J. C. Denney, } Com.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

46 North Carolina has had state wide prohibition

since 1908. Four other states and 90 per cent of the remaining territory of the entire South have laws forbidding the sale of intoxicating liquors. It has been a great blessing to this state as well as all dry territory. The church has been a great factor in bringing about the splendid results already achieved, but the battle, it seems has just begun, we must fight on till the complete victory is won. The State law in many instances is violated, we insist that every member of our Association and churches do all that they can do to enforce the State law, we urge that the Ashe Association continue to wage an uncompromising fight against the liquor trafic which we regard as one of the greatest enemies to the human race.

Respectfully Submitted,
J. R. Johnston. } Com

REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS.

47 In view of the gracious hospitality enjoyed by this Association, be it resolved.

1st. That the best thanks that we are capable of expressing be and are hereby extended to the members of Obids church and the many generous friends of this community for their kind hospitality extended to the Ashe Association and the visitors thereof during the sitting of this session.

Respectfully submitted,
C. L. Blevins, }
Elihu Tucker, }
R. M. Burkett, } Com.
Geo. M. Reeves }
W. R Bradshaw }

48 Brethren H. A. Eller and J. Fred Blackburn were elected delegates to the Baptist State Convention.

49 Rev. C. M. Cope volunteered to go as a visitor to the Alleghany Association and Brethren C. E. Trivett, J. W. Duncan to Three Forks Association.

50 11 a. m. The Association retired to the Grove for the reading of the reports on Orphanage and State Mission.

REPORT ON BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

51 The first child was received into the Orphanage Nov. 11, 1885. Since that time 1,420 children have been enrolled, and the present number is 411. Average cost per child about $100 a year.

This Association has 10 children in the Orphanage costing some body about $1000 a year. This Association is paying less than $100 a year for the support of

these 10 children, hardly enough to care for one child a year, Brethren let us make an effort to care for, at least one third of these children.

At the Kennedy Memorial Home which is located in Lenoir County two dormitories are in process of erection and will be ready for the reception of children by Jan. 1st. It is hoped that sufficient funds will come to completely equip this part of the institution so that the work there may go forward without interruption. About half of the necessary funds have been secured.

A valuable gift has been made to the Orphanage consisting of 375 acres of land in Transylvania county by Miss Mary and Victoria Galloway. This place is estimated to be worth $25,000 but is not available during the lifetime of Miss Mary Galloway. Another notable gift was the bequest in the will of Dr. S. W. Little of Davie County which, is believed will turn into Orphanage treasure some $25,000. These two great contributions in addition to a small sum left by the late John Pullen have all come since the beginning of the year 1913.

While we are grateful to record these noble gifts to the Orphanage, its constant enlargement requries a steadily increasing current fund. Bequests are usually put in some permanent memorial to the giver, and are never used to buy meat and bread for the children. That part of the work has always devolved on our churches and Sunday-schools and, please God, it may ever be so!

The greatest work of the Orphanage is in surrounding the children with a moral atmosphere and instructing them in spiritual things. A well organized Sunday school and church with their various departments such as Baraca and Philathea classes, missionary society, mission study classes, etc. furnish excellent facilities for the growth in knowledge and in the grace of giving, and above all pointing them to the Lamb of God who taketh away the sins of the world, is the supreme and crowning work of the institution.

About 40 per cent of the current fund comes from the monthly collections in the Sunday-schools and yet scarcely one third of our North Carolina Baptist Sunday-schools are giving these monthly collections. We strongly insist that every Sunday-school in this Association fall in line with this very sensible proposition and thus swell the number of monthly givers to this great object.

Our churches are magnifying Thanksgiving Day as a

time to make a liberal contribution to the Orphanage. We hope all our churches will duly observe this day. We would suggest that in many churches it is best to select a Sunday nearest Thanksgiving Day to hold this special service. This can be done to advantage on country fields. Do not neglect this offering. It gives the extra shove as we enter upon the winter months.

CHARITY AND CHILDREN is itself a great contributor to the Orphanage. Every Sunday-school ought to take a club of the paper and thus increase its circulation and usefulness. Special attention is called to our well equipped job plant, Respect. submitted,

J. H. Wagoner, Com.

Discussed by F. B. Hamrick, J. C. Goodman and T. F. Ray.

Collection for Orphanage..... $13.67
Subscription to Charity and children..... $10.00

F. B. Hamrick took charge of the funds.

REPORT ON STATE MISSION.

52 Two years ago the Ashe Association met with Healing Springs church, and during that session raised $400 for State Missions. The State Board of Missions supplemented that amount with $300. These amounts $700 were used for Mission work in the Ashe Association. The same amount was raised for last year which has just closed.

The churches andthe brethren of the Association are familiar with the work that has been done to the present sitting of this body, we feel sure that substantial progress has been made toward the development of our churches and people. The urgent need of this Association is the enlistment and development of our people along all lines of Missionary enterprises. There are in North Carolina about 240,000 Baptist, of this number about 170,000 are enlisted in active service for the Master. Of the 1990 churches in the state 1750 have preaching only once a month.

There are 31 churches in the Ashe Association, not a single church has preaching more than once a month.

The time being so long between preaching services and the pastors in most cases living entirely outside of the church neighborhood, renders the work that is done inefficient. None of the churches are doing as well as they might do, and a good number of them are doing practically nothing for Missions. An earnest effort should be put forth to enlist all these churches into active service, They need to be awakened to a sense of

their full duty to the support of their Pastors. We recommend that a faithful effort be made to group the churches into fields that can and will support a wide awake aggressive Pastor that can meet the demands of the times. A number of our churches could and ought to maintain twice a month preaching. In view of the great need and present conditions and the outlook to the future, we insist that the Association raise not less than $500, for State Missions, within the next Associational year a railroad will have been built through Ashe county from the Virginia line to Watauga county, N. C. Branch lines from this road will be built into other sections of the county where there are valuable mineral deposits and timber. The prospect is good for a railroad connection with other parts of the State, south and east of the Blue Ridge in the near future. Rapid progress is going to be made along all commercial lines. Business interest will develop by leaps and bounds, in material affairs, will we be as active and energetic about the work and development of our Lord's Kingdom. We should do so for we have in Matt. 6-33 the Command to "Seek ye first the Kingdon of God and His Righteousness." The Lord's work is the most important of all, we regard this time with the in coming of a railroad and new classes of people a serious critical yet an opportune time for our denomination in Ashe county. We can advance or retard the work of the Kingdom as we choose

Respectfully Submitted,

C. M. Cope,
J. F. King, } Com
Geo M Reeves,

Discussed by Geo. M. Reeves, J. E. Ray, W. W. White and W. R. Bradshaw.

Upon the adoption of the report on State Missions the following individual and church pledges were made for State Missions to-wit:

INDIVIDUAL PLEDGES FOR STATE MISSION.

T F Ray	$10	R L Shoaf	$2 50
H A Eller	10	C L Blevins	2 50
J F Dillard	10	Mrs. W H Garvey	2 50
W H Garvey	10	E L Tucker	2 50
E C Eller	10	Mrs M M Blevins	1
J G Miller	5	Elihu Tucker	1
J Fred Blackburn	6	W H Tyree	1
C M Cope	5	Mrs W W Mills	1
T J Day	5	W W Mills	1
W E Carlton	6 50	D E Blevins	1
M M Blevins	5	J T King	1
Geo M Reeves	5	W H Sheets	1
Geo Pennington	2 50	R M Burkett	1
R P Witherspoon	2 50	J C Denney	1
David Burkett	2 50	J R Johnston	10
Hiram Baker pd	$ 1	J F Blackburn pd	1
D H Burguess pd	1	Isaac Faw pd	1
S A Campbell pd	1	Mrs D H Burguess pd	50
Harrison Baker pd	2	C J Hodgson pd	1
Ellen Osborne pd	2	Mrs Calvin Green pd	2

Total individuol pledge for State Mission..... $136 50

CHURCH PLEDGES FOR STATE MISSIONS.

Apple Grove	$ 5	Healing Springs	10
Bald Mountain	10	Jefferson	50
Baptist Home by Geo Pennington	10	Landmark	5
Beaver Creek	50	Long Branch	2 50
Berlin	10	Mission Home	5
Bethel	25	New River	2 50
Big Laurel	2	Obids	10
Buffalo	10	Old Fields	10
Clifton	10	Orion	50
Forest Home	5	Peak Valley	1
Friendship	10	Pleasant Hill	5
		Wind Fall	2

Total church pledges for State Mission $307 00

Grand total individual and church pledges for State Missions $443 50

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

53 Your Commitee on Finance submit the following report, to-wit, received from the churches for the different departments of our work. The following named amounts to-wit:

Associational Missions	$ 18 50
State Missions	80 30
Home Missions	9 72
Foreign Missions	18 25
Orphanage	35 08
Minute funds	32 85
Total	$194 70

Respectfully submitted,
J. D. Baker,
R. H. Goodman } Com
L. H. Goodman

54 That the Clerk be allowed ten dollars for his service and a sufficient amount for stationary and postage from the minute fund and that he spend the remainder thereof for printing and distributing these proceedings to the churches and other proper places.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

55 Received Asso. Missions in Treas. at close of last session $25 69

Rec'd Associational Missions	Rev. G. M. Reeves	2
,, ,, ,,	Rev. C. M. Cope	1
,, ,, ,,	Apple Grove church	1
,, ,, ,,	Beaver Creek ,,	5
,, ,, ,,	Finance committee	18 50
Total		$53 19

Received State Mission in Treas. at close of last session $ 17 02

Rec'd State Mission,	T. F. Ray	10
,, ,, ,,	H. A. Eller	10
,, ,, ,,	E. C. Eller	5
,, ,, ,,	M. M. Blevins	2
,, ,, ,,	M. M. Blevins for Healing Springs church	8 80
,, ,, ,,	J. T. King	1
,, ,, ,,	Pledges paid at Association	11 50
,, ,, ,,	Finance comittee	80 30
Total		$145 62
Received Home Missions	Finance committee	9 72
Total		9 72

REPORT OF TREASURER (Con.)

Received Foreign Missions, Rev. G. M. Reeves	5	
,, ,, ,, Rev. C. M. Cope.....	1	
,, ,, ,, Rev. T. J, Day.....	1	
,, ,, ,, T. F. Ray.....	10	
,, ,, ,, H. A. Eller.....	5	
,, ,, ,, Bertha Eller.....	5	
,, ,, ,, E. C. Eller.....	5	
,, ,, ,, W. E. Carlton.....	2	
,, ,, ,, Banks and Kirk.....	5	
,, ,, ,, M. M. Blevins.....	2	
,, ,, ,, J. T. King.....	1	
,, ,, ,, Pledges paid at Asso	16	25
,, ,, ,, Finance Committee..	18	25
,, ,, ,, Total	$76	50
,, Dr. J. W. Colvard, for education of young ministers at Oak Hill	5	
,, Finance Committee for Orphanage.....	35	08
,, ,, ,, ,, Minute fund.....	32	85
,, J F Dillard for Orion Church Minute fund	1	50
,, Total Minute Fund.....	34	35
Grand total received.....	$359	46

DISBURSEMENTS OF TREASURER.

56 Pd R M Burkett pastoral service Bristol ch.	$10	
,, ,, ,, ,, ,, Zion Hill ,,	10	
,, T J Day ,, ,, Forest Home ,,	5	
,, ,, ,, ,, Long Branch ,,	5	
,, W H Michael ,, ,, Peak Valley ,,	5	
,, Geo M Reeves ,, State Mission work	145	62
,, J C Cox ,, Education of young Ministers at Oak Hill	5	00
,, Walters Durham Treas. Baptist State Convention Home Missions	9	72
,, Walter Durham Treas Baptist State Convention Foreign Missions.....	76	50
,, S H Averitt Treas for Orphanage.....	35	08
,, Gentry & Reeves printing 1000 minutes...	24	
,, Mailing minutes.....	4	
,, Stationary and postage.....	2	54
,, Executive Committee.....	12	
Retained for Clerical service.....	10	
Grand total disbursed	$359	46

Respct. Submitted M. M. Blevins, Treas.

57 Adjourned to meet with Clifton on Tuesday after the first Sunday in September 1914.

Prayer by Rev. R. M. Burkett.

Prof. J. C. Goodman Moderator. M. M. Blevins, Clerk.

Table No. 1.--Statistical

CHURCH	PASTOR & POST OFFICE	CLERK & POST OFFICE	Time of Preaching	
Apple Grove	Day T J, Park, Va.	Sidney Tucker, Park, Va	2	
Ball Mountain	Hayes T M, Nathans Creek, N C	J W Duncan, Beaver Creek, N C	1	
Baptist Home	Banks, Pennington, Park, Va.	L J Sturgill, Parker, ,,	3	
Beaver Creek	Cope C M, Jefferson, N. C.	L H Goodman, Beaver Creek ,,	3	
Berlin	Cope C M, Jefferson, N. C.	H A Eller, Berlin, ,,	1	1
Bethel	Burkett R M., Theta, ,,	C W Phillips, Beaver Creek ,,	2	
Big Flatts	Church W N., Summit ,,	G T Greer, Fleetwood, ,,	1	
Big Laurel	Micheal W H., Trade, Tenn.	Loyd Kilby, Hemlock, ,,	4	
Bristol	Burkett R M., Theta, N C	Arthur Calloway, Jefferson, ,,	1	
Brushy Fork		J M Rominger, Trade, Tenn	1	
Buffalo	Burkett R M, Theta, ,,	P S Bumgarner, Jefferson, N C	4	
Clifton	Cope C M. Jefferson ,,	J W Welch, Dresden, ,,	2	
Forest Home	Day T J, Park, Va	W A Johnson, Jefferson ,,	3	
Friendship	Hayes, T M. Nathans Creek, N C	E F Marsh, ,, ,,	3	
Healing Springs	Blevins J C, Grassy Creek, N C	I N Hudler, Crumpler, ,,	1	
Jefferson	Reeves Geo M, Laurel Springs N C	W L Luther, Jefferson, ,,	2	
Landmark	Blevins J C. Grassy Creek ,,	L M Brinegar, Grassy Creek, ,,	4	
Liberty Hill	Tucker Elihu, ,, ,,	J H Wagoner, Nathans Creek ,,	3	
Long Branch	Day T J, Park, Va.	J G Welch, Edison, ,,	1	
Meadow View	Walton, Jesse, Green Cove, "	Joe Reedy, Crassy Creek ,,	1	
Mission Home	Hayes, T M, Nathans Creek, N C	A D Phillip, Fleetwood, ,,	4	
Mountain View	Walton, Jesse, Azen, Va.	J A Davis, Glenn, ,,	1	
New River	Blevins, J C, Grassy Creek, N C.	E C Perry, Weaversford ,,	3	
Obids	Murry, L B, State Road, "	H M Brown, Obids ,,	3	
Old Fields	Lee, Wm M, Summit, "	H M Blackbrn, Summit ,,	4	
Orion	Reeves, Geo M, Laurel Springs, "	J F Dillard, Orion ,,	1	1
Peak Valley	Michael, W H, Trade, Tenn.	W H Tyree, Ashland ,,	1	
Pleasant Hill	Day, T J, Park, Va.	Freel Miller, Park, Va	4	
Pleasant Home	Blevins, J C, Grassy Creek, N C.	W R Lovelace, Grassy Creek N C	2	
Wind Fall	Tucker, Elihu, " " "	J A Wagoner, Park, Va.	4	
Zion Hill	Burkett, R M, Theta, "	G F Lyall, Wagoner, N C	3	
Totals				14
Net Gain				

Table No. 2.--Financial

S. S. Expenses	The Poor	Minute Fund	Other Objects	Total for use at home	Association Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	S. S. Missions	Orphanage	Ministerial Education	Colleges and Schools	Other Objects	Total for convention objects	Grand Total
		1 50		52 38	1 00	2 50								3 50	55 88
1 50		1 15	40 00	74 20		22 10		2 00		1 16				25 26	99 56
		75		29 53	2			5						7	36 53
3		1 75		77	5		5 75	32 20		9			20	52 15	129 15
8 80	42 00	2 85		1013 65	5	29 50	2 50	16		4		50 00		107	1120 65
7		2		36 39	5	55		5		3 24				68 24	104 63
2 50		50		18	2					70				2 70	20 70
		50		25 45	1									1	26 45
		65		16 15											16 15
1 75	9	1 50	8	64 95	1	5	2 50			3 09				11 59	76 54
2 35	7 50	1 25	7 70	66 15	2 50	7 50	2 50	5 25	2 00	1		5 35		26 10	92 25
2 60	2	1		47 05	7		1	1		3				12	59 05
3 65		1 05	6	28 84						1 66				1 66	40 50
8 58	2	1 50	2	85 58	3	13 75	3 75	2	67	1	1 63	22 25	2 30	50 35	135 93
5	3	1		54		2 32		2 50		2 57				7 39	61 37
3 26		2		12 82	1	2 50	1							4 50	17 32
4 25		1 25		52 55		2 75								2 75	55 30
		90		160 22	10 59									10 58	170 80
1 07		50		1 57			57			50				1 07	2 64
2 57		1		43 36			65			3 45				4 10	47 46
		1		18 61		5				3				8	26 61
6 05		1		32 15		2 50	2 50	2						7	39 15
2 60		1 10	8 75	93 85		80				10 50				11 30	105 15
4 50		1 15		35 65		15 35		4 25		1 32				20 92	56 57
3 38		1 50		79 88		75		3		1 75				79 75	159 63
5 34		50		26 44						2				2	28 44
	5	1 25		68 50		4				1 25				5 25	73 75
		1 25		27 25		1 50	1 50			1 70				4 70	31 95
		1		14 25						6 08				6 08	20 33
		1		11 80						50				50	12 30
5 66 30	70 50	34 35	72 45	2378 32	46 08	247 07	24 22	80 20	2 67	62 47	1 63	77 60	2 50	544 44	2622 76

Table 3.

Sunday Schools

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENTS & P. O.	No. Officers and Teachers	Number Pupils Enrolled	Total Enrollment	Average Attendance	No. Church Mem. in School	Number of Schools	No. Months Kept Open.	No. Organized Adult Classes	No. Baptisms from School	School Expenses
Apple Grove	Lee Dollinger,.....Park, Va	4	40	44	30	10	1	5	2		
Ball Mountain	C E Trivett,...Beaver Ck, N C	4	35	39	22		1	9			1 5
Baptist Home	.....										
Beaver Creek	J C Goodman,...Beaver Ck, ,,	5	50	55	25		1	12	1		3
Berlin	E C Eller,.....Berlin, ,,	7	75	82	55	40	1	12	2	1	8 8
Bethel	R Watson,.....Oval, ,,	7	97	104	47	25	2	12	1		4
,, S S No 2	J D Baker,...Beaver Creek, ,,	7	63	70	35			6			3
Big Flatts	R C Parsons,.....Raven, ,,	5	65	70	45	20	1	6			2 5
Big Laurel	.....										
Bristol	.....										
Brushy Fork	.....										
Buffalo	A W Hodgson,.....Tree Top, ,,	5	60	65	30	15	1	8	1		1 7
Clifton	J G Miller,.....Clifton, ,,	5	62	67	15		1	6		1	2 3
Forest Home	J H Ashley,...Warrensville, ,,	6	70	76	35	30	1	5	2		2 6
Friendship	D A Burkett,.....Jefferson, ,,	8	135	143	80		1	6			3 6
Healing Springs	M D Blackburn...Crumpler, ,,	7	83	90	32	40	1	6	2		8 5
Jefferson	E L Tucker,.....Jefferson, ,,	5	69	74	42		1				5
Landmark	Edgar Denny,...Grassy Ck, ,,	6	101	107	64		1				3 2
Liberty Hill	J H Wagoner,..Nathans Ck ,,	4	45	49	28	21	1	9	1		4 2
Long Branch	Z O Eldreth,.....Edison, ,,	5	60	65	30	25	1	5	2	6	
Meadow View	T F Halsey,.....Grassy Ck, ,,	9	73	82	60	30	1	5	2		1 0
Mission Home	J Moretz,.....Fleetwood, ,,	6	75	81	66		1	5			2 5
Mountain View	.....										
New River	I W Handy, Grassy Creek, ,,	6	102	108	38		1	12			6 0
Obids	D H Burgess,.....Obids, ,,	8	80	88	53		1	6			2 6
Old Fields	J F Blackburn,.....Idlewild, ,,	7	100	107	60	30	1	6	2		4 5
Orion	W J Bare,.....Orion, ,,	6	80	90	50	33	1	8	1		3 3
Peak Valley	D B Clark,.....Ashland, ,,	6	77	83	60	27	1	12	2		5 3
Pleasant Hill	A L Stamper,.. .....Park, Va	6	40	46	40	30	1	12	2		
Pleasant Home	.....										
Wind Fall	.....										
Zion Hill	.....										
	Totals.....	148	1 737	18 85	1 052	376	24		23	7	79 7

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

Orion, Ashe County, N. C., Aug. 15th, 1913.

The Sunday School Convention of the Ashe Association met in its Sixth annual session with Orion Baptist Church at 11 a. m.

1 The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Rev. R.M. Burkett Text Genesis 42nd chapt 22nd verse and Reuben answered etc. Concluded by Rev. E. Blevins.

2 The former Chrm. and Secty. being absent the convention was organized by electing Rev. C. M. Cope. Chrm. and C. L. Blevins Secty. by acclamation. and the following proceedings were To-wit.

3 The Chrm. called for Sunday school report from the churches, thereupon during the session fourteen repors were handed in and delegates enrolled.

4 The Chrm. invited visiting Brethren to seat with the convention, thereupon Rev. E. Blevins, of the Lebanon Association and Lebanon Sunday Schools of Va., reported himself and seated with the convention.

5 The Chrm. appointed the following Comimittees to-wit:

Religious Exercise, W J Bare, J D Baker, W W Burket. Time and place next convention, R P Witherspoon, J M Sawyer, W C Absher. Program next convention, R M Burkett, David Coldiron, I W Handy. Resolutions, J F Dillard, W M Phillipps, E D Harless.

6 R P Witherspoon was elected leader for the singing choir during the convention.

REPORT COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS EXERCISE.

7 Your Committee report preaching tonight at 7:30 p. m., by Rev. E. Blevins. Devotional Exercise tomorrow morning at 9 a. m., to be conducted by Rev. Geo. M. Reeves. Respect. submitted.

W J Bare
J D Baker } Com.
W W Burkett

8 Adjourned. Prayer by Rev. E. Blevins, Benediction by Rev. R. M. Burkett.

Saturday Morning Session Aug. 16th, 1913, 9 A. M.

9 The convention met according to adjournment. Spent one-half hour in devotional exercise conducted by Rev. E. Blevins reading 2nd chapt. Phillippians. Prayer by Rev. C. M. Cope.

10 The convention was called to order by the Chrm. Prayer by Rev. E. Blevins.

11 Read and adopted Friday's proceedings.

12 The Chrm. invited visitors to seat with the convention, Rev. E. L. Middleton the corresponding Secty. of the Sunday Schools of the Baptist State Convention of Raleigh, N. C., reported himself and seated with the convention, and on motion, all members of Sunday Schools who were present were invited to seat with the convention and aid in the work. Thereupon a number of brethren seated with the convention and took part in the work.

13 Took up the program in regular order.

14 First Item. The Ministry of the Sunday School was discussed by J. Fred Blackburn, Rev. E. Blevins and Rev. G. M. Reeves in a very instructive manner.

15 Second Item. The Superintendent that Superintends, was very ably discussed by E. L. Middleton.

16 Adjourned one hour for refreshment.

1 P. M. The convention met for business and was called to order by Rev. Geo. M. Reeves. Prayer by Rev. E. Blevins.

17 the Third Item. The teacher that Teaches, along with many other questions relative to the Sunday School work was fully discussed by E. L. Middleton.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS EXERCISE.

18 Your committee report devotional exercise tomorrow morning at 9:30 a. m. to be conducted by J. Fred Blackburn. Preaching at 11 a. m., by E. L. Middleton,

Respect Submitted

W. J. Bare
J. D. Baker } Com.
W. W. Burkett

19 J. Fred Blackburn was re-elected Superintendent and E. C. Eller, J. H. Wagoner and J. P. Goodman were re-elected Executive committee of Sunday Schools of the Ashe Association.

REPORT COMMITTEE ON TIME AND PLACE FOR NEXT CONVENTION

20 Your committee report that the next Sunday School convention be held with New River church Weavers-Ford, Ashe Co., N. C., 15 miles Northeast of Jefferson N. C., commencing on Friday before the Third Sunday in August 1914. The introductory Sermon be delivered by Rev. C. M. Cope at 11 a. m. Alternate, Rev. T. M. Hayes. Respct. submitted,

R. P. Witherspoon, J. M. Sawyer, W. C. Absher, Com.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

21 We know from the teaching of the Bible that it is the duty of all Christian people to teach God's law to their children, their children's children and their neighbors children. Therefore be it resolved.

1st That it is the duty of all people to take their children to Sunday School and teach them God's law which is the Bible.

2nd That the sincere thanks are due and are hereby tendered to the members of Orion church and the many kind friends of this community for the kind hospitality extended by them to this convention during its present session. Respect. submitted,

J. F. Dillard,
W. H. Phillipps, } Com.
E. D. Harless,

22 The Committee on program for next convention having failed to make up a program to this time promise that a program will be prepared and speakers selected and due notice given by the committee for the next convention.

23 A collection was taken for the expenses of Bro. Middleton to the convention amounting to $4.20.

24 Adjourned to meet Sunday morning at 9:30 a. m. Prayer by E. L. Middleton.

Sunday Morning Session, Sept. 16, 1913.

15 The convention met at 9:30 a. m., spent one-half hour in devotional exercise, conducted by Rev. E. Blevins.

26 The fourth item of program. The school of the church, or the church at work in the Sunday school was very forcibly and feelingly discussed by E. L. Middleton.

27 11 a. m. A very able interesting sermon was delivered by E. L. Middleton.

28 Adjourned to meet with New River church on Friday before the third Sunday in August, 1914.

C. M. Cope, Chrm.
C. L. Blevins, Secty.

CHURCHES	DELEGATES PRESENT AT CONVENTION.
Ball Mountain	J W Duncan.
Beaver Creek	Robt Garvey.
Berlin	E C Eller, C L Stike, E L Childers.
Bethel	W M Phillipps.
,, S S No 2	J D Baker.
Buffalo	E D Harless.
Clifton	
Friendship	Rev R M Burkett, R P Witherspoon, W W Burkett.
Healing Springs	D E Blevins.
Jefferson	E L Tucker, John Weaver.
Landmark	Lester Denney.
Liberty Hill	
New River	J M Sawyer, I W Handy.
Old Fields	J Fred Blackburn.
Orion	W J Bare, J F Dillard, David Coldiron.

The Womans Missionary Union of the Ashe Association met and held an annual meeting at Obids church on Sept. 10th. 13. The meeting was opened with devotional exercise conducted by Rev. J. C. Cox.

Mrs. Geo. M. Reeves, was re-elected President. Mrs. J. O. Goodman was asked to serve as Secretary. The roll was called and delegates reported. The Pres. appointed a committee to suggest a Sec. and Treas., for the coming year. Adjourned for dinner.

Afternoon Session.

The devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. P. H. Haire.

The Committee reported Miss Biddie Ray as suited to the secretaryship. She was then formally elected by the body.

Mrs. Geo. M. Reeves told the duties of Vice-Pres. and gave something of her work the past year.

Mrs. R. H. Goodman discussed in a very interesting way "Why a Church Should Have a Missionary Society." A paper on "How the W. M. U. Helps the Church," written by Mrs. Boldin of the Brushy Mt. Association was read by Mrs. W. H. Garvey. Mrs. R. H. Goodman told the women something of the work of the Beaver Creek Missionary Society. Miss Venie Goodman, leader of Sunbeam Band, of Beaver Creek, gave a short talk on Sunbeam work. A paper on "Systematic Giving" was read by Mrs. J. O. Goodman.

A report on the Bible Woman fund was made by Mrs. Geo. M. Reeves.

The meeting was closed by a series of sentence prayers.

Vice President's Report.

Societies organized	3
Meetings held	20
Miles traveled	300
Letters written	50
Subscriptions to Foreign Mission Journal	75
,, ,, Home Field	10

Mrs. Geo. M. Reeves, Vice-Pres.

	St. Mis	Home Mis.	F'gn. Mis.	B. W. Fund
Beaver Ck	$4.55	$2.75	$4.20	$10.00
Buffalo			1.10	2.40
Healing Spr.				2.50
Jefferson				50
Liberty Hill				1.51
Total	$4.55	$2.75	$5.30	$16.91

Amounts paid in by individuals to Bible Woman Fund.

Miss Clyde Eller	$ 50
Miss Cynthia Denney	25
Rev. Geo. M. Reeves	1.34
Mrs. Geo. M. Reeves	2.50
Total	$4.50

Sunbeam Band, Beaver Creek paid for Missions	$6.00
Expense fund	20
Total paid by Womans Missionary Union	$40.30

MRS. GEO. M. REEVES, Vice-Pres.
MRS. J. O. GOODMAN, Secty.

Some Reasons Why a Church Have a Woman's Missionary Society.—by Mrs. R. H. Goodman.

In the first place I would say a church should have a Missionary Society because I believe it to be one of the best organizatlons in the church. It will enlighten our people more than any thing I have found. When we meet together and study our mission studies, read the Bible and pray, and seek Divine guidance in our work, it is then that we are moved to sacrifice of our means to send the gospel to benighted souls. When we really learn how they bow to idols and practice all kinds of superstitious beliefs, and then read where

Christ said "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature," we begin to see and realize the blessings there are in store for those who are trying to do something for the One from whom cometh every good and perfect gift. I believe if our people would become enough interested in missions to read after our work and earnestly pray for it, it would then be a pleasure instead of a burden for us to pay our dues to the Lord. Our Secretaries and leaders come to us occasionally and tell us about the work. We try to listen and profit by the information, but in our daily lives our minds are so taxed with our home affairs that it is easy for us to forget and neglect our duty. It is in the home filled with mission literature that we are able to quietly read and study for ourselves. There we may as we read, commune with our dear Lord, and from Him learn our duty to God and our fellow-being. And having learned our responsibility to God, we will plan for larger service or greater gifts.

Another reason is that we should try to get our children interested in church work. It seems to me that our young people are too much neglected. They come into our churches, are baptized and recognized as full members. After a few months unless they are given something to do they decide they just as well be somewhere else, and they begin to drift away. Soon they become cold and unconcerned and are not sure whether they are Christians or not. If we give our young people some work, suited to them, they will grow up to be strong men and women and unshakable in the faith. Let them understand that God never saved a soul without a purpose. So to fill this need, let us give our boys a Royal Ambassador Chapter, our girls a Young Womans Auxiliary and our children a Sunbeam Band. Then let us as mothers go to work in our Missionary Societies, giving ourselves in God's service, and surrendering our lives to be used by Him as He sees best.

SYSTEMATIC GIVING.—by Mrs. J. O. Goodman.

There is not one principle of the Christian religion more clearly, forcibly and conspiciously taught in the scriptures than the principle of giving. We find in Gennesis 28:22 that the giving of the tenth was inaugurated by Jacob as the final consumation of his vow to God. The giving of the tenth did not pass with Jacob,

but became the law of the Jewish Sanhedrin and permeates the whole of the Old Testament Scriptures as well as that of the New.

But the problems that confront us today and which must be solved by us are: 1st, Why must we give? 2nd, In what spirit? 3rd, In what manner?

In discussing the first of these propositions, we believe that because God Almighty so loved the world as to give His only begotten Son, Jesus Christ, to come to this sin-cured world and die the ignominious and cruel death of the cross at the hands of the Roman soldiers, that you and I might have life eternal, and that the world might be redeemed. Because we ourselves have been redeemed and our sins forgiven through the giving of Jesus Christ to the world, and on account of this unspeakable gift of God, all Christians are obligated and duty bound to carry the gospel of Jesus Christ to the world by means of giving. Christ gave himself for us, then commanded us to give the gospel to the world. How are we to do this? Many of us can never go to foreign fields and preach to a dying people, but we can out of God-given means, make it possible for others to go. The world can never be evangelized until God's people send the gospel, because we believe it is God's purpose to save by human agencies. God has given all and made it possible for the world to be saved, and the work of Christianizing the world has been delegated to you and me and the followers of Christ. Hence we conclude the answer to our first proposition by saying, we must give and give much if the world is to be saved.

As to the spirit in which one must give. We must give freely, not grudgingly, give because we love the souls of lost men, give because Christ gave, give because we love to give, give because 'tis noble to give, give remember that the gifts without the giver is bare. James Russell Lowell very beautifully demonstrate the spirit in which one should give, in the Vision of Sir Launfail when he said:

"I behold in thee an image of Him who died upon the tree:
Thou also hast had thy crown of thorns,
Thou hast had the worlds buffets and scorns.
And to thy life were not denied
The wounds in the hands and feet and side.
Mild Mary's Son acknowledge me, Behold through

Behold through Him I give to Thee.
In what we share with another's need.
Not what we give, but what we share,
For the gift without the giver is bare."

This verse so beautifully, so forcibly, teaches us the spirit of consecration and self sacrifice which must accompany true giving. No nobler gift may be made, no nobler principle manifested, than self consecration, self-sacrifice. Again we quote "The gift without the giver is bare."

We now desire to speak very briefly as to the method or manner in which one should give. Let us systematize our giving, by giving at stated times and giving or fixed amounts. The world demands certain systems and methods of transacting its business, and those who transact the business of the world in a thoroughly systematic way or the worlds greatest leaders and most successful men. Now shall the greatest business ever delegated to the children of men, the Kings business, the redemption and salvation of the world; a business coveted by Angels, be transacted in a careless way and in indifferent manner? Nay, verily, but let us arise and cloth ourselves with the armour of faith and go about God's work in a systematic way, because the harvest is great and the laborers few.

OBITUARIES.

LUNSFORD.

Bro. Shubal Lunceford was born March 27, 1823. Departed this life Feb. 12, 1911, age 87 years 10 months 15 days. He was married to Nannie A. Alexander, Mry 10, 1866, by Daniel Jones, Esq., of Alleghany county, N. C. He joined Healing Springs Baptist church at the time or shortly after it was organized, and lived a devoted Christian life till his death. He was a preacher of righteousness in his every day life. His text was, Do right. He was a strong supporter of the poor and needy of the Gospel and Ministry, and his church. He was one of the leaders both financially and in perseverance in building of both church-houses of Healing Springs church. The first being burned. He was a stay in rebuilding the second house. His heart and hand were always open to the needs of suffering humanity, and to all benevolent cause. All such persons as this are promised a glorious reward and a crown of rightness. We feel that Uucle Shuby is enjoying his reward. M. M. B.

BURKETT.

Whereas God in His infinite wisdom and love did on the 16th day of Aug. 1912, deem it best to call from our midst, our beloved mother and sister, Catherine Burkett (nee) Weaver, who was aged 67 years, 8 mo. 27 day. She was the wife of Bro. Geo. W. Burkett and the mother of 8 children two of whom have exceeded her to the Glory land. Four sons and two daughters are still living. She was the mother of our Beloved Bro. Rev. R. M. Burkett. She professed a hope in Christ and joined Buffalo Baptist church in early life. When Friendship Baptist church was organized she took a letter from Buffalo church to join in the organization of Friendship Baptist church and was one of the charter members in the organization of Friendship Baptist church and lived a devoted, consecrated life till her death. Sister Burkett was a good companion, a kind and loving mother, a good neighbor, and a true christian. She was anxious and wanted to see the new church house completed. Sister Burkett was loved by all who knew her, and loved most by those who knew her best. She was afflicted and confined to her bed about five months before she departed this life. She bore her suffering patiently and never complained, but often exclaimed, "How beautiful on the other shore I will soon go over there." Before her death she called her children to her and bade them press on and live a christian life. She bade her son Roby to press on to go and preach the Gospel as long as he could stand. Therefore we humbly submit to the will of God, who doeth all things well, and extend to the bereaved husband, children, relatives and friends our sincere love and sympathy in their deep distress and sorrow. At her own request Sister Burkett was buried in the back church yard at Friendship church. The funeral service was conducted by Revs C. M. Cope and T. M. Hays.

A Friend,
MRS. R. M. BURKETT.

HUSTON.

Sister Alice Huston, daughter of sister Rhoda Holman, was born March 20th, 1883, died Dec. 14, 1912, age 29 years, 8 mo. 24 days. She was married to Landen Huston Jan. 13, 1912, unto this union two children were born, one living and one dead. She professed faith in Christ about 15 years ago and lived a consistent

member until the Blessed Master called her to her Blessed Home above, for we all feel assured from the life she lived and the evidence she left on her dying bed that she has gone to meet Jesus and other loved ones who have gone before.

She's gone from this cold world of care
This world of woe and bitter tears
And reach the realms of Bliss we trust
Henceforth to dwell among the just.
The friends who loved her well while here
Prepare to meet her over there
Where friends no more will parted be
But spend with Christ Eternity.

Florence Trivett,
Ellen Duncan.

Sister Julia Hurley was born Aug. 1831, departed this life March 2, 1913, age 82 years 5 mo., and a few days. She professed Faith in Christ about sixty years ago and joined Landmark Baptist church where she lived a devoted christian life until death. She leaves four children and a host of friends to mourn their loss. While she is greatly missed by us we feel that our loss is her Eternal gain and that she has been welcomed into that Heavenly mansion where she will sing praises unto her Redeemer for ever, and ever. W. E. Denney.

Sister Barbara Hurley, wife of Billie Hurley, was born May 26, 1836, departed this life Dec. 8, 1911, age 75 years, 7 mo. and 18 days. She professed faith in Christ about 50 years ago and joined the Baptist church at Landmark where she lived a true and consistent Christian life until death. She leaves 4 children to mourn their loss and while she is greatly missed by those who knew her, we feel assured that her name has been written in the Lambs Book of Life and that she has been received with joy into that bright Home beyond this vale of tears. A Friend.

Sister Elizabeth Hurley, wife of Wiley Hurley, was born March 13, 1849, departed this life Dec, 22, 1911, age 62 yrs., 9 mo, and 9 days, She professed a hope in Christ at the age of 20 yrs, and joined the Baptist Church at Landmark where she lived a true and devoted christian life until death. The hand of affliction was laid upon her several years ago. Through all her sickness she never complained, but was always waiting patiently for the Will of God to be done. She leaves 3 children and many friends to mourn their loss. Children, we feel that your loss is her Eternal gain,

A Friend.

1886

Minute

of the

28th Annual Session

of the

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

held with

Clifton Missionary Baptist Church

Clifton, Ashe County N. C.

September 8th, 9th, and 10th, 1914.

PROF. J. C. GOODMAN, Moderator.
F. R. JONES, Clerk and Treasurer.

The next annual Session will be held with Friendship Missionary Baptist Church, Theta, Ashe County, N. C., 3 miles east of Jefferson, 29½ miles west of North Wilkesboro, N. C., beginninging on Tuesday after the first Sunday in September 1915. Introductory Sermon to be delivered by Rev. C. M. Cope at 11 a. m., Rev. George. M. Pennington, Alternate

1914,

CONSTITUTION

Art. 1 This body shall be called the Ashe Association.

2 The object of this association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the gospel in our bounds, and in all the wor d, and in this work the association will co-operate with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

3 The members of this body shall be all the ordained ministers of the churches of this association, and three delegates from each church, who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment, and giving statistics of the membership, and work of the church.

4 At each annual session of the body there shall be ele ted a moderator, clerk and treasurer in such way as the association may direct. The two last offices may be held by the same brother.

5 The moderator shall preside at the meetings, preserve order, appoint committees, and perform such other duties as are required of presiding officers.

6 The clerk shall keep correct record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing, and distributing to the churches the proceedings of the body.

7 The treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent to the association, pay them out as the association may direct, and make a report to each annual session.

8 The Association shall hold an annual meeting at such time and place as may be agreed upon.

9 At each annual meeting there shall be appointed an executive committee of three brethern, who shall look after the destitution in the bounds of this association, and co-operate with the State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention, making to the next session a report of the work done and all the general State Mission work.

10 The Association shall convene annually on Tuesday after the first Sunday in September. At each annual session there shall be appointed committees to make reports to the ensueing session on the following subjects to-wit: State Missions Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Pastoral Support, Ministerial Education Baptist Orphanage, Bibical Recorder, Temperance, Digest church letters, Finance Place and Preacher for next Association.

11 Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

12 The Association will not receive nor retain in permanent fellowship any church that retains in its fellowship any member who is disorderly in doctrine or practice, or who makes, sells, or in any way deals in ardent spirits as a beverage

13 This Constitution may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual session.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES

1 We believe in one only true and living God, and that there are three persons in the God head, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost and that these three are one.

2 We believe that the Bible, the Old and New Testament is the word of God and the only rule of Faith and Practice.

3 We believe in the impotency of man and the sovereignity of God.

4 We believe that salvation is by Grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5 We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ to be practiced only by believers in their scriptural order.

6 We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator and that only those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and doctrine should take the Lord's Supper.

7 We believe in the final perseverance of the saints in grace to Glory.

8 We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment.

9 We believe that the existence of the righteous and of the wicked will both be of eternal duration and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

RULES OF ORDER

1 Every session shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2 When the Moderator calls the house to order every member shall at once take his seat.

3 When a member wishes to speak he shall rise and address the Moderator and not proceed till he has been recognized.

4 No member shall speak more than twice on any subject except by permission of the body.

5 No member shall leave the body during the session without permission of the moderator.

6 It will be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold private conversation while the Moderator is speaking.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

FIRST DAY 11 A. M.

1 Introductory sermon.
2 Adjournment.

FIRST DAY 1 P. M.

1 Assembling of Association.
2 Roll call of churches and enrollment of Messengers.
3 Organization and election of officers.
4 Reception of new churches.
5 Invitations to visitors.
6 Reading constitution, abstract of principels, and rules of order,
7 Appointment of committees.
8 Report on Home Missions.
9 Announcement of homes for messengers and visitors.
10 Report on religious exercises.

SECOND DAY 8:30 A. M.

1 Devotional Exercises.
2 Report on Digest of Church Letters.
3 Report on Biblical Recorder.
4 Report on Pastoral Support.
5 Reception of visitors.
6 Report on State Missions.
7 Report of Executive Committee.
8 Adjournment for noon.

SECOND DAY 1 P. M.

1 Reception of visitors.
2 Report on Orphanage.
3 The announcement of the W. M. U. meeting.
4 Report on Ministerial Education.
5 Report on Religious Exercises.
6 Adjournment.

THIRD DAY 8:30 A. M.

1 Devotional Exercises.
2 Report on Place and Preacher.
3 Report on Obituaries.
4 Report on Historian
5 Report on Temperance.
6 Report on Sunday Schools.
7 Report on Field Forming.
8 C. M. Cope reported on visit to State Conv.
9 Report on Womans Work.
10 Report on Resolutions.
11 Report on Finances.
12 Report on Foreign Missions.
13 Adjournment.

DIRECTORS OF THE ASHE ASSOCIATION

Prof. J. C. Goodman, Moderator...Beaver Creek, N. C,
A. H. Eller, Vice President.....Berlin, "
F. R. Jones, Clerk and Treasurer.....Berlin, "

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

J. W. Duncan.....Beaver Creek, "
E. C. Eller.....Berlin, "
J. F. Dillard.....Orion, "

MEMBERS OF STATE MISSION BOARD

A. H. Eller.....Berlin, N. C.
J. Fred Blackburn .....Idlewild, "

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Burkett, R. M.....Theta, N. C.
Blevins, J. C... .....Grassy Creek, "

Blackburn David.....Rugby, Va.,
Barker W. F.....Grassy Creek, N. C.
Campbell W. A.....Thaxton "
Carter I. M.....Grassy Creek, "
Cope C. M.....Jefferson, "
Day, T. J.....Green Cove Va.
Gleen, W. H.....Glenn, N. C.
Hayes, T. M.....Nathans Creek, "
Hurley, Anurew.....Solitude, "
Orsborne, W. A.....Sontude, "
Pennington, George.....Park Va.
Shoaf, R. L.....Warrensville, N, C
Stanley, J. F.....Hemlock, "
Trivett, J. S.....Fleetwood "
Tucker, Elihu.....Grassy Creek "
Woodruff, W. A.....Oval, "
Haire, P. H.....Fleetwood, "
Blackburn, J. Fred.....Idlewild, "
Porter, W. M.....Linney, "
Neaves, J. M.....Weavers Ford, "
Wilcox, Joseph.....Benge, "
Banks, W. J.....Park, Va.

LICENTIATES

Blackburn, Coy.....Piney Creek N. C.
Carlton, W. E.....Baldwin, "
Grubb, G. W.....Baldwin, "
Stike, Lifford.....Berlin, "
Denny, Edgar.....Grassy Creek, "
Davis, John A.....Glenn, "
Sheets, David.....Glenn, "
Spenser, J. P.....Grassy Creek, "
Denny, G. L.....Grassy Creek, "

MESSENGERS PRESENT AT THE ASSOCIATION

Representing the different churches to-wit;
Churches.
Applegrove, Sidna Tucker.
Bald Mountain, W. E. Carlton, J. W. Duncan, W. M. Hopkins.
Beaver Creek, R. H. Goodman J. H. Garvey, Mills Goodman
Berlin, J. T. King, A. S. Eller, F. R. Jones.
Bethel, D. A. Hartsog, L. H. Brown, C. W. Phillips.
Big Flats, R. C. Parsons, G. T. Greer W. A. Reece.
Big Laurel, E. Kilby, John Agers, Hugh Hagaman.
Bristol, L. F. McClure, George Hooser, Will Pennington
Buffalo, S. L. Perkins, Hilt Campbell, Tom Hodgson.
Clifton, K. L. Eller, J. W. Welch, F. H. Turner

Forest Home, W. A. Johnson, W. P. Shoaf J. H. Ashley.
Friendship, David Burkett, J. E. Witherspoon, W. W. Burkett.
Glendale, W. A. Severt, R. A. Johnson, Newton Bare.
Healing Springs, I. N. Hudler W. F. Ballou.
Jefferson, R. F. Gentry, C. A. Dickson.
Landmark, J. C. Jones, J. C. Denney.
Liberty Hill, J. H. Wagoner, J. P. Shepherd .W J. Hudler
Long Branch, J. G. Welch, W. B. Hardy.
Meadow View, H. H. Gwaltney, Y. H. Halsey, W. A. Reedy.
Mission Home, J. E. Pope. M. H. Goodman, J. W. Goodman.
Mountain View, J. J. S. Denney, George Coldiron.
New River, Coy Blackburn B. H. Shepherd W. D. Brown.
Obids, J. C. Parsons, H Parsons, C. L. Mash.
Old Fields, J. R. Johnson, J. E. Cheek, J. F. Blackburn.
Orion, W. M. Dillard. W. C. Absher, J. F. Dillard.
Peak Valley, W. H. Tyree, W. W. Eggers, T. S. Allen.
Pleasant Hill, Arthur Hart, Eddie Stamper, Freely Miller.
Pleasent Home, J. P. Spencer, O. W. Blevins, L. D. Barker.
Wind Fall, J. W. Tucker, J. A. Wagoner.
Zion Hill, Letter, No messenger.

Proceedings

Clifton, Ashe County, N. C.
Tuesday, September 8th 1914.

The Ashe Association met in its 28th annual Session with Clifton Baptist Church at 11 a. m., and the proceedings were as follows:

1 The introductory Sermon was delivered by Rev. T. M. Hayes, Text: Acts, 1st Chapter 8th verse.

But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witness unto me both in Jerusalem and in all Judea and in Samaria and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

2 Adjourned 1 hour.

Tuesday Evening Session Sept. 8th, 1 P. M.

3 The Association met at the Appointed time, and was called to order by the Moderator, J. C. Goodman, prayer by Rev. E. Tucker.

4 The roll of Churches was called by Clerk M. M. Blevins, 30 letters handed in from the respective churches.

5 On motion, officers election proceeded. M. M. Blevins declining to serve any longer as Clerk and Treasurer. On motion Prof. J. C. Goodman of Beaver Creek, N. C., was elected Moderator and F. R. Jones of

Berlin, N. C. was elected clerk and treasurer by acclamation.

6 New churches were called for, whereupon Glendale handed in their letter which was read by Rev. G. M. Reeves. The same was received into the body and extended the right hand of welcome.

7 The Moderator invited visitors to a seat in the Association whereupon W. W. White from Piedmont, John Arnold of Watauga, C. S. Farthing of Three Forks, J. W. Poe of Watauga, Meriam Sherrel of Buncombe, representing the W. M. U., Prof. J. C. Cox representing the Home Board Mission School at Oak Hill Va., of New River, F. B. Hemrick representing Baptist Orphanage Thomasville N. C., Rev. W. R. Bradshaw representing the State Misson, of the South Fork, G. W. Sebaston of Stone Mountain, were seated with the Association.

8 The Constitution, Abstract of Principles, and Rules of Order were read by M. M. Blevins.

9 Rev. Geo. M. Pennington was appointed to preach in the grove at 2:30 P. M. Text Mathew 28th chapter, 6th verse.

10 Committees were appointed by the Moderator to fill vacancies and absent as follows:

Religious exercises, The delegates of Clifton church also their pastor, C. M. Cope, E. E. Eller, J. W. Duncan.

To appoint an Executive, committee, W. E. Carlton, R. H. Goodman, R. J. Johnson.

Place and preacher of next Association, R. C. Parsons, H. H. Ghaultney, J. C. Denney, R. P. Witherspoon, R. F. Gentry, Rev. C. M. Cope.

Obituaries, J. D. Baker.

Resolutions, Rev. G. M. Reeves M. M. Blevins, A. S. Eller.

Finance, J. G. Miller, J. H. Wagoner, J. H. Garvey.

Orphanage, Rev. P. H. Haire, F. B. Hemrick.

Foreign Missions, Rev. G. M. Reeves, Rev W. R. Bradshaw, R. P. Witherspoon.

Temperance, C, W. Phillips, Frank Blackburn, Rev. T. M. Hayes.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

By this is meant Mission work in the Southern States, The Island of Cuba, the Canal Zone, Mountain Schools, together with w rk among Foreigners, Indians and Negroes.

A partial summary of last years work follows, viz: Workers employed 1,447 part of whom were teachers. Baptisms reported

30 861. Total additions to churches 56,747. Churches Constituted 172. Houses of worship built and improved 375 Sunday Schools organized 758. Bibles and Testaments distributed 110 612. Mountain Schools 32 with 156 teachers and 5,218 pupils, 78 of whom are Ministerial students The current expenses last year, of the Board was $397,589 12 and yet the demands for aid was so great that the Board was forced to report a debt of $6,249.38 Upon this Board devolves the evangelizing of the Foreigners as they come to us, also the work among Negro populations of the Southern States together with the Island of Cuba and the Canal Zone of Panama

In view of the vast field and the importance of the work, and of the signal blessings of God upon this work in the past. How important it is for us to carry this work forward with energy.

Let us arise in our strength and do our whole duty to this work by prayer and contribution.

Your Committee recommend that all our churches make an effort to interest each and all its members in this work.

Signed [illegible] H. A. ELLER, Com

Discussed by Rev. W. R Bradshaw and P. H. Haire,

At the close of the discussion the following church pledges were made for Home Missions to wit:

Apple Grove,	$5	Ball Mountain	$2
Beaver Creek,	5	Berea,	3
Bethel,	3	Big Flatts,	2
Big Laurel,	2	Bristol,	1
Clifton,	3	Friendship	2
Forest Home,	1	Jefferson,	3
Healing Springs,	2	Liberty Hill,	2,50
Landmark,	2	Mountain View	2
Mission Home	2	New River,	2
Piraro,	3	Old Fields,	3
Olds,	2	Peak Valley,	1
Onion,	2	Pleasant Home,	2
Pleasant Hill,	1	Glencoe,	1
Winifred,	1	Total,	$66,50

12 Rev. C. M. Cope announced homes for the messengers and visitors.

13 Adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 8:30 a. m. Prayer by Rev. W. R. Bradshaw.

14 Report on religious exercises, G. O. Haire for devotional exercises, Rev. W. W. White to preach in the grove at 2:30 p. m. Wednesday.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SEPT. 9th; 8:30 A. M.

15 The Association met according to adjournment; spent one half hour in devotional exercises conducted by G. O. Haire, and Prof. J. C. Cox.

16 The Association was called to order by the Moderator.

17 Read and adopted Tuesday's Proceedings.

18 Report on digest of church letters was handed in and posted, reading omitted.

REPORT ON BIBLICAL RECORDER

19 The Recorder is one of the best Religious papers I know of. It is clean and religiously Inspiring through its pages, we are able to get all the news about our denominational work, such as the associational working of the state and the missionary societies and the many pleasant letters by the editor and brethern Middleton, Johnson and many other able writers which ought to inspire every Baptist to a greater and nobler work.

We recommend the Recorder to new subscribers as when one once subscribes for the paper and keeps it you need not ask him to renew his subscription.

Let us as Baptist see that our young boys and girls have a copy to read every week instead of the trashy novels and literature.

Respectfully Submitted,

W. E. CARLTON.

Discussed by F. B. Hemrick.

REPORT ON PASTORAL SUPPORT.

We your committee on pastoral support beg leave to submit the following report;

That on account of the poor support our pastors hands are practly tied and we earnestly urge all live energetic members of all our sister churches to make a personal campaign among their members during the first part of this Associational year and urge each one to do his personal part in support of our pastors in order that they may give their entire time to the work as the cause demands.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. R. JOHNSON, Com.

Discussed by J. F. Dillard, J. R. Johnson, Rev. J. C. Cox, Dr. S. L. Perkins.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

21 It is generally admitted that state missions is fundamental. It lies at the base of all our enterprises, it strengthens the weak places in our work and steadies the hands of those who are almost overwhelmed by the odds against them. It is the big brother in the family who stands between the little brother and danger

Here in our own association we have felt the pressure of the strong arm of our state Mission board about us. It ought to be, not the duty, but the joy of all our churches, to live up with our State Mission work, and bear their support of the board, as has been well said, "any church that does not live up with its sister churches in helping on the State Mission work, writes its own obituary."

Our Baptist host is a mighty army as to members but we are

painfully lacking in efficiency our state board, always alert and intelligent, is addressing itself to the enlistment of the unenlisted and calling out as far as possible those who have a name to live and are dead. We would heartly commend this department of the work, and hope it will be vigorously prosecuted through the coming year, compact field, which means better pastoral service and more efficient local organization, will the hope and claim the effort of our state board through the coming year.

Respectfully Submitted,
C. M. COPE.

Discussed by J. C Goodman, R. H Goodman, Rev. G. M Reeves, Rev. E. Tucker, Rev. G M. Pennington, Rev, Geter Blevins, Rev. W. R. Bradshaw.

After the discussion the following church and individual pledges were made for State Missions to wit:

CHURCH AND INDIVIDUAL PLEDGES FOR STATE MISSIONS

Beaver Creek,	$60	Berlin,	$10
Bethel,	50	Old Fields,	25
Clifton,	20	Jefferson,	10
Buffalo,	8	Apple Grove	5
Ball Mountain,	10	Big Flatts,	5
Big Laurel,	5	Forest Home,	3
Friendship,	12 50	Meadow View,	5
Healing Springs,	4	Landmark,	4
Liberty Hill,	6	Mission Home	5
New River,	3	Ozids	5
Orion,	10	Peak Valley,	1
Pleasant Hill,	1	Windfall,	3
Mountain View,	2	Glendale,	5
		Bristol,	1
Total,			278 50

INDIVIDUAL PLEDGES

H. A. Eller,	10	M. M. Blevins	3
Rev. Geo. Penington pd	5	Dr. S. L. Perkins pd.	5
A. S. Eller,	5	E. C. Eller,	10
J. D. Baker,	5	Edd Shoemaker, pd.	50
J. G. Miller, pd	5	C. M. Cope	10
J. F. Dillard,	10	W. E. Carlton,	10
J. Fred Blackburn,	7	G. O. Hare,	1
I, N. Hudler	2	Jennie Tucker, pd	25
J. M. Morphew pd	5	Mrs. Sidna Tucker pd	25
J. E. Witherspoon pd	50	R. C. Parsons pd	25
Mrs. Elihu Tucker pd	25	R. P. Witherspoon pd	1
J. G. Welch	1	Mrs. T. M Hayes pd	50
Mrs. E. C. Eller, pd	35	J. C. Parsons, pd	1
J. A. Wagoner, pd	1	Rev. G. M. Reeves	5
A. A. Jones, pd.	50	W. E. Johnson, pd	5
Henderson Graybeal	1	John Latham pd.	25
A Friend pd	1	Rev. Geter Blevins pd	50
		Total	$113,10

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

22 We recommend that the Association raise a

state fund of not less than $600, we recommend a change in work to wit: This fund to be used in supplementing the pastors salary of the churches that employ men of real enthusiastic Mission spirit each pastors work of one or more churches will be called his field each pastor so aided shall make a satisfactory report quarterly to the executive committee of his work.

J. W. Duncan
E. C. Eller } Committee
J. F. Dillard

23 Adjourned for noon, Prayer by Rev. G. M. Reeves.

WEDNESDAY EVENING SESSION SEPT. 10th 1 p m

24 The Association met according to adjournment and was called to order by the Moderator, prayer by Rev. P. H. Haire.

ORPHANAGE REPORT.

25 The care of the unfortunate is a natural and fundamental expression of Christianity. Jesus was in his ministry what he would have us be, He emphasized things fundamental and cast the program for all ages. He glorified childhood and so related his gospel to the physical wants of life that we cannot hope to save the soul unless we also provide for the body.

So far Orphanage work has been the principal form of our benevolence, largely because it has been showing the most tangible results. It was been said by some that it is necessary only to let the people know the needs of the Orphanage and they will be well supplied the coming year will show whether this is true or not. Within only four hundred and thirty children we have failed behind.

Children are already being received at the Kennedy Home

The Miles Durham nursery for very small children, at Thomasville, will be completed before the winter months. If this is filled with children and we provide for those that are at the Kennedy Home, the current expenses must be increased $10,000 over last year.

Among North Carolina Baptist nothing has so enlisted men and women in the work of the Kingdom as the Orphanage work. It has been the agency for the promotion of harmony, liberality and consecration. This is the largest work of the Kingdom the little child is the leader.

Since the reception of the first child, Nov. 11, 1885, 1516 have been enrolld and the present number is 480.

Average cost per child $107.64 a year. The health record of the children for the passed year has been remarkable, there being no deaths and few cases of serious illness.

Large and valuable additions are being made to the plant at Thomasville. A modern dairy barn has been completed. This department of our work along with the various other industrial features are to be emphasized. A splendid and commodious will be completed within a year. The erection of this important and greatly needed building was made possible by the bequest of the late Dr. S. W. Little of Davie County, whose honored name it will bear. Three new school rooms have been added with improvements on the old

school building. A tenth grade has been put in the school course for the purpose of giving those who leave us a better preparation for life's struggles.

We would again urge and recomend; 1 That every Sunday school set aside one Sunday in each month as Orphanage day; 2 A club of charity & Children in each Sunday school and an individual copy to pastors and all hom s that are not represented in the Sunday school; 3 A liberal Thanksgiving offering emphasizeel g he importance of "WORK DAY," giving not less than one day's work to the Orphanage. We would suggest that in many churches it is best to selec t a Sunday nearest Thanksgiving day to ho d this special service. This can be done to advantage on country fields.

Finally brethern let us constantly keep in mind the appeal of the larger Orphanage and remember as we save the child we not nly save the State but we save ours lves and in doing this we find our greatest happiness

P. H. Haire
F. B. Hemrick } Com.

After being discussed by Rev. C. M. Cope, Dr. S. L. Perkins, R. H. Goodman, R. C. Parsons, H. A. Eller, F. B. Hemrick, the following churches made pledges for this to wit:

Apple Grove,	$2	Ball Mountain,	$2
Beaver Creek,	20	Berlin,	3
Bethel,	5	Big Flatts	1
Big Laurel,	2	Buffalo,	4
Clifton,	2	Forest Home,	1
Friendship,	5	Healing Springs,	4
Jefferson,	5	Landmark,	5
Liberty Hill,	2	Meadow View,	1
Old Fields,	10	Orion,	2
Pleasant Home,	3	Windfall,	2
Total,			$81

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION

26 We submit the following report to the considera tion of the Association on ministerial education. There is a question that presents itself to this body which is —Has the time arrived in the bounds of Ashe Association when the churches demand educated ministers. It is an admitted fact, acknowledged by all true christians, that the main corner stone and foundation; is to be a true consecrated christian born of the Spirit of God and filled with the Holy Spirit, but second it becomes necessary for the minister to be educated in order that he may be in a position to preach the Gospel to all classes with force. There was a time when the uneducated minister was competent to do a great work, and did so, but that time is passing away and men and women have reached an intellectual level undreamed

of a half century ago by the masses.

The world today is flooded by literature and printed matter that has overleaped the bounds of conception and freighted down with the highest and lowest degree of art, literature, and morality and all midway shades. The human mind is eagerly devouring all that is spread out before it, be it, good or bad. Therefore it is as reasonable to try to maintain that California's fruit could be as successfully moved to Boston by the faithful ox team that slowly ploded his way across the great plains 75 years ago as it can be by the express trains that rush on their way at the rate of 40 or 50 miles per hour and often more, night and day, as to maintain that the illiterate minister can do a work equal to the educated. It is the duty of our churches to provide and to demand our ministers to educate themselves, which is in the reach of all, if he is willing to pay the price, which price is, prolonged and faithful study.

Imagine the awkward position that one is placed in, if he appears before a congregation to instruct them that is not at least partially familiar with current events of the world today, and could not tell nor even had no idea when the great nations of Egypt, Greece or Rome thrived, nor tell what great nation inhabits the banks of the historic Rhyne and where the broad Amison empty its waters, and about the time he commences his instruction his ignorance dawns upon himself as he looks at many faces in front of him, who are far his superiors in knowledge and so it is with the illiterate minister of today.

S. L. Perkins } Com.

At the close of the reading of this report it was very forcibly and feelingly discussed by the principal of our Home Board Mission School, Rev. J. C. Cox, of Oak Hill, Va., also by Rev. W. R. Bradshaw, followed by a collection of $36.80 and delivered to J. C. Cox.

27 Your committee on religious exercises reports devotional exercises tomorrow morning to be conducted by Rev. R. M. Burkett.

28 Adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 8:30. Prayer by Rev. G. M. Pennington.

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION SEPT. 10, 8:30 a. m.

29 The Association met according to adjournment, spent one half hour in devotional exercises, conducted by Rev. R. M. Burkett, reading Psalms 19, prayer by

W. E. Carlton.

30 The Association was called to order by the Moderator.

31 Read and adopted Wednesdays proceeding's.

REPORT ON PLACE AND PREACHER FOR THE NEXT ASSOCIATION.

32 We your committee on place and preacher, after careful and prayerful deliberation, respectfully submit the following as our report.

Place: Friendship Missionary Baptist church, three miles east of Jefferson. Preacher to deliver the annual sermon, Rev. C. M. Cope, at 11 a. m. Tuesday, after the first Sunday in September, 1915, Rev. G. M. Pennington alternate.

R. F. Gentry
H. H. Ghaultney
R. C. Parsons
C. M. Cope
R. P. Witherspoon
} Com.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES

33 We your committee on obituaries, beg leave to submit the following report.

We herewith, submit five obituaries, and are satisfied that there are more that should come in. Owing to the limited space, in our minutes, on account of insufficent minute funds, we recommend, that all persons wishing an obituary to appear in our minutes, submit the proper dates, to the committee on obituaries, in order that they may be gotten up in a more condenced form.

J. D. Baker } Com.

REPORT ON EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

34 We your committee recommend as executive committee for the next year, J. W. Duncan, J. F. Dillard and F. C. Eller.

R. H. Goodman
J. R. Johnson
W. E. Carlton
} Com.

35 The committee to report on Historian was not ready to report, therefore the committee and time was extended.

36 The fact that Brusy Fork church has not reported to the Association for three years, and the visitors who voluntered to investigate at last Association, reported the church abandoned the Association verbally

dropped the name Brushy Fork off the roll of churches.

REPORT ON TEMPERENCE

North Carolina has had State wide prohibition since 1908. Four other states and 90 per cent of the remaining territory of the entire South have laws forbidding the sale of intoxicating liquors. It has been a great blessing to this state as well as all dry territory. The church has been a great factor in bringing bout the splendid results already achieved, but the battle it seems has just began we must fight on till the complete victory is won. The State law in many instances is violated. We insist that every member of our Association and churches do all that they can do to enforce the State law. We further advise that each and every church in this Association deal strictly with each and every member who participates in such an evil.

We further advise that this Association continiue to wage an uncompromising fight against the liquor traffic which we regard as one of the greatest enemies to the human race.

J. F. Blackburn
I. N. Hudler
C. W. Phillips

After the reading of this report it was forcibly discussed by Dr. S. L. Perkins, Rev. T. M. Hayes W. W. White, Rev. G. M. Pennington, Rev. G. M. Reeves, J. C. Goodman, G. M. Sebaston.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

38. We, your committee on Sunday Schools submit the following:. Since 1885 we have had Sunday School workers among us, since 1903 the S. S. Mission fund has paid expenses. No denominational enterprise has grown more rapidly. We have 25,000 more people in our school than any other state. Our S. S. contributed last year $32,086.49, we had in our Association last year 32 S. S., 11 Evergreens, the balance from 3 to 8 months with an average attendance of 1,463, S. S. expenses $118.18 and we earnestly urge upon the formation of some plan by which we can interest more of the church members in this great work. Respect. Submitted

J. Fred Blackburn. Com.

Discussed by Rev. Fred Blackburn, J. C. Goodman, Dr. S. L. Perkins, Rev. G. M. Reeves. Whereupon Rev. J. Fred Blackburn was appointed to visit all the churches in the Association in behalf of the upbuilding of the S. S. work in our bounds, and the following churches and

individuals made pledges to aid Bro. Blackburn in this great work, to wit:

Old Fields	$6.	Pleasant Home	$2.50
Bethel	5.	Beaver Creek	5.
Berlin	5.	Apple Grove	2.50
Obids	1.	Friendship	2.50
Landmark	2.	Forest Home	1.
Long Branch	1.	Windfall	2.50
Liberty Hill	1.	Peak Valley	1.
		Total Church pledges	$38.

INDIVIDUAL PLEDGES.

Rev. G. M. Reeves	5.	Dr. S. L. Perkins	5.
J. G. Miller	1.	A. S. Eller	1.
A. W. Hodgson	1.	M. M. Blevins	1.
R. C. Parsons	1.	W. E. Sebaston	1.
Fred Snoemaker	.75	Lee Parsons	.50
J. A. Wagoner	1.	H. A. Eller	1.
		Total Individual pledges	$19.25

Grand total Church and Individual pledges to support the forwarder of the S. S. work in his work $57.25

39. A Committee getting up a photograph of Bro. W. C. Parks was appointed to wit: M. M. Blevins, Rev. E. Tucker, E. C. Eller, Rev. J. C. Cox.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FORMING FIELDS AND GROUPING CHURCHES

40 Your committe just after the closing of the last session of the Association took up this work and suggested that certain churches be formed into compact fields and brought this matter before other churches also, through lack of properly understanding this matter and lack of co-operation, compact fields were not formed. The other churches before which the matter was laid also refused to form fields. We trust that when our people realize the importance of, and understand this work better it will be different.

R. H. Goodman
E. C. Eller } Com.
M. M. Blevins

Discussed by C. M. Cope, M. M. Blevins, Dr. Perkins, H. A. Eller.

41 Rev. W. W. White preach in the grove at 11 a. m.

REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS

42 In behalf of the delegates and visitors to this Association we wish to express our heart felt gratitude and thanks to the good people of Clifton church and community for the kind and hospitable entertainment

given us during this sitting of this Association.

G. M. Reeves
M. M. Blevins } Com.
A. S. Eller

43. Rev. C. M. Cope made a verbal report of his visit to the Baptist State Convention.

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK

44 Realizing that there is a great need for better co-operation, larger enlistment and efficient training for leadership among our women as well as our men we offer the following suggestions:

First: That we, the men of this Association, take a greater interest in the Woman's Work by encouraging those who are already enlisted and by enlisting those who are not enlisted.

Second; That we aid and encourage the societies already organized in the training of more efficient leaders in the Woman's work, because this is possibly our greatest need, and that this training be carried on in our homes by securing and studing the literature on this subject which may be obtained from the literature department of the W. M. U.

15, West Franklin St. Baltimore, Md.

Third; That Sunbeam bands be organized and encouraged for the training of the children, and that reading circles on Missions, as well as societies, be organized and encouraged.

Fourth: That we urge that royal service be placed in as many of our homes as possible and be carefully read and studied.

J. Fred Blackburn
Frank Blackburn
J. O. Goodman
J. A. Parsons
W. A. Hodgson

Discussed by Rev. G. M. Reeves J. C. Goodman, Rev. G. M. Pennington, Fred Blackburn, followed by a suggestion that each and every delegate of this Association may consider themselves delegates to the convention or any Association.

REPORT ON FINANCES.

45 The committee submit the following report: Recived for the different objects to wit:

State Missions,	108.20	Home Missions	1.25
Foreign Missions	20.25	Minute Funds	35.48
		Orphanage	13.67
Total,			178.85

J. H. Garvey
J. H. Wagoner } Com.
R. H. Goodman

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS,

46 The past year was one of the most successful years in the history of Foreign Missions. After 50 years work, there was reported in 1895 a total enrollment of 3,493 church members in foreign lands, and last year there were 4,532 persons baptized.

A wonderful opportunity lies out before us. Millions in heathen countries are waiting to hear the pure gospel. Shall we not give them the gospel of Christ. God is calling us to do our part in meeting our obligations to them. Thus far many of us have failed to do our duty in this work. Of the 23,659 churches in the Southern Baptist Convention, there are 10,023 which gave not a penny to Foreign Missions. The Supreme need of the hour and the unequaled opportunity of the times demand that the work must go forward.

North Carolina Baptist are to raise $52,000 for Foreign Missions this year, and in view of the great need, we think that much more should be done than we are doing.

THE WHY OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

1st Christ is intensely interested in the work of Foreign Missions. He wants the gospel carried to all parts of the earth. For scriptural, proof read Matt. 24:14, 28:19,20. Mark 16:15.

2nd The whole world needs the pure gospel. God has graciously provided for all the needs of this sinful world, but the greatest need and the greatest provision is that of the gospel of Grace, The world needs Jesus and without Him, it perishes eternally. See Rom, 6:23, John 3:16, 17, 18.

Christ has given his church the commission to go and give to the uttermost parts of the world this its greatest need, the gospel of Christ.

3rd The gospel benefits everything it touches. If we would make our lives and churches tell for the greatest benefits to God and humanity we should put

forth our best efforts to give to the world the Gospel. It means to the heathen countries, civilization, education and prosperity as well as true Christianity.

4th Supporting Foreign Mission work means real unselfish giving. While all mission work begins at home, it must go on to every foreign field that has not the gospel. Giving to Foreign Missions develops the Christ spirit within us, and leads us out of self to work in behalf of others. See Matt. 13:38.

We earnestly plead with every church in this association to make an offering to Foreign Missions during the next year.

Geo. M. Reeves
W. R. Bradshaw } Com.
R. P. Witherspoon

Discussed by Geo. M. Reeves and the following pledges church and individual were made to wit:

INDIVIDUAL.

Geter Blevins	50
Total	50

CHURCHES

Apple Grove	1	Bull Mountain	2
Beaver Creek	5	Berlin	5
Bethel	5	Buffalo	5
Clifton	4	Friendship	2
Jefferson	2	Old Fields	5
Total			36
Grand total			36.50

47 Annual Committee who were appointed to write reports on the various departments of the work of the Baptist cause of Ashe Association and report the same to the next annual session of the Association to wit:

R. H. Goodman, State Missions, H. A. Eller Home, Missions, C. L. Blevins, Foreign Missions, J. R. Johnson, Pastoral Support. J. C. Denney, Ministerial Education, F. B. Hemrick and R. H. Goodman. Orphanage, Hugh Hagaman. Temperence, Rev. G. M. Reeves, Biblical Recorder, Rev. J. Fred Blackburn, Sunday Schools, R. H. Goodman, J. D. Baker, and Henry Wagoner; Finance.

48 That clerk be allowed ten dollars for his service and a sufficient amount for stationery and postage from the minute fund and that he spend the remainder there of for printing and distributing these proceedings to the churches and other proper places.

REPORT ON TREASURER LAST YEAR'S WORK.

49 Recieved at Association for State Missions.

Received at Asso. from Finance Committee		$108 20
Received from	W. E. Carlton	6 50
"	M. M. Blevins	20 88
"	Berlin Church	10 35
"	Rev. Geo. M. Reeves	5
"	Mrs. M. M. Blevins	1
"	C. L. Blevins	2 50

Report of Treasurer present year.

Received of the various individuals mentioned in the roll of individual pledges for State Missions		$34 50
Received Foreign Missions Finance Committee		20 25
" from	E. C. Eller	5
	Total	$25 25
"	Minute fund	35 48
"	Home Missions Finance Committee	1 75
"	Orphanage Finance Committee	17 36
"	for education of young ministers at Oak Hill	36 80
"	funds to pay J. Fred Blackburn S. S. Service	10 50
	Grand Total Received	$316 07

DISBURSEMENTS OF TREASURER.

50 Paid Rev. G. M, Pennington State Mission Work		$97
"	Rev. G. M. Reeves State Mission Work	17 30
"	C. M. Cope State Mission Work	24 78
	Total	$139 08
"	R. F. Gentry Printing	1
"	Walter Durham Treasurer Baptist State Convention Foreign Missions	25 25
"	Walter Durham Treasurer Baptist State Convention	1 75
"	F. B. Hemrick representative Thomasville Orphanage	17 36
"	J. C. Cox Education of young ministers Oak Hill	36 80
"	J. Fred Blackburn S. S. Work	10 50
	Grand Total Disbursed	$221 74

Respct. Submitted F. R. Jones, Treas,

51 Adjourned to meet with Friendship Missionary Baptist Church, Theta, N. C., on Tuesday after the first Sunday in September 1915.

Prayer by Rev. G. M. Pennington Prof. J. C. Goodman, Moderator, and F. R. Jones, Clerk.

Table. Financial.

Churches	Pastors Salary	Building and Repairs	Individuals	S S Expenses	The Poor	Minute Fund	Asso. Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphanage	Ministers Education	Other Objects	Orphanage by W M U	By Individuals	Totals
Apple Grove	71 30			3		1 50		5								20 80
Ball Mountain	40 38			3		1 30		16 50		4	3		53 80			121 98
Beaver Creek	100			5		1 45		51 70	7 50	12 10	13 67			10 00	22 50	221 12
Berlin	125	60	2	13	5	2 40		31 35	2 50	11 25	4		13			269 50
Bethel	53 65			4		1 50		31		8 25		1				99 40
Big Flats	36 80			6		50					1 25					44 55
Big Laurel	39 85					50										43 35
Bristol	14 65			89		60										16 14
Buffalo	62 63		25	5 32		1 20		10	2	4 60	7 35					118 10
Clifton	76 50	4		4		1 10		15	2	4 21						
Forest Home	28 50						75	5		1	1 35					36 60
Friendship	51 06			5 75		1 10		10	1 77	2	6 10		10			87 72
Glendale	8 55					1 45		13 94								23 94
Healing Springs	9 25			3 50		1 50		10		2						26 25
Jefferson						1 20		50		2	1					54 20
Landmark				1 90	16			5		2	1 50					26 40
Liberty Hill	16 38	5		5 20		1 50		2 50	2 10		2 25		16 20			51 13
Long Branch	12	10				55		2 50		1						26 05
Meadow View	5 10				2 10	79	12 10	25	1 25			75				22 34
Mission Home	31 50		11 30	4 20		90		5			1 20					54 10
Mountain View						1 40										1 40
New River				38 18		1 00		1 44			3 68					
Obids	60 39		4	3 50	1	1 05		10		1	10 50	16 50				106 94
Old Fields	106 25			6		2 23		22	3	5 42	6 26		20 80			182 06
Orion	75	1 25		3 50		1 25		5		2			16 85			104 85
Peak Valley	20 70					50		1			1					23 30
Pleasant Hill	22 40			1		1 00		5		1						29 40
Pleasant Home	30 15			4		2 00		4			4					44 15
Windfall	26 63					1 00		2			1					30 63
Zion Hill	1					75		1								2 75
Totals	$1065 58	$80 25	$42 30	$76 76	$23 10	$33 32	$12 85	314 33	22 32	$63 83	$69 21	$18 25	$130 65	$10 00	$22 50	$1885 15

Table No. 2. S. S.

Churches	Supt. & P. O.		No. Officers & Teachers	No. Pupils Enrolled	Total Enrollment	No. Church mem in S S	No. Schools	No. months kept open	Contributions from S S	School Expences	Missions	Orphanage	Other Objects	Total
Apple Grove	Floyd Stamper,	Park, Va.	5	50	64	15	1	6		3				3
Ball Mountain	C E Trivett,	Beaver Creek, N. C	4	22	30	17	1	12		3		3		6
Beaver Creek	J C Goodman,	Beaver Creek, " "	5	40	45	30	1	12		3		13 64		16 67
Berlin	E C Eller,	Berlin, " "	10	89	99	49	1	12	1	7	2	4		13
Bethel	W W Phillips,	Oval, " "	4	90	100		1	12		4				4
Big Flats	R C Parsons,	Rover, " "	6	23	65		1	6		6				6
Big Laurel	J A Osborne	Hemlock, " "	5	46		51								
Bristol	A R Calaway,	Jefferson " "	4	30	50		1	5		89				89
Buffalo	S L Perkins,	Tree Top " "	8	57	65	19	1	12	5	5 32		7 35		12 67
Clifton	J W Welch.	Dresden. " "	5	42	75	19	1	6		4				4
Forest Home	J H Ashley,	Warrensville, " "	7	56	63		1	6						
Friendship	D A Burkett,	Jefferson, " "	7	47	146		1	12		5 75	1 77	6 10		13 62
Healing Springs	J M Ballou,	Grassy Creek, " "	8	56	64	20	1	6		3 50				3 50
Jefferson														
Landmark	Edgar Denny,	Grassy Creek, " "	6	36	73		1	4		1 95				1 95
Liberty Hill	J H Wagoner,	Nathans Creek, " "	4	67	71	30	1	12		5 20		2 25		7 45
Long Branch	J G Welch,	Edison, " "	6	30	36		1	3						
Meadow View	L H Halsey,	Grassy Creek, " "												
Mission Home	J A Woodruff,	Fleetwood, " "	6	40	46	20	1	6		4 20		1 20		5 40
Mountain View														
New River	W D Brown,	Weaversford, " "	9	146	155	20	1	12		38 18	1 44	3 68		43 30
Obids	D H Burgess,	Obids, " "	8	85	93		1	6						
Old Fields	L D Blackburn,	Idlewilde, " "	11	158	169		1	6		5		7 01	15 50	28 57
Orion	E D Coldiron,	Orion, " "	6	76	78	38	1	8	12	3 50				3 50
Peak Valley	D B Clark,	Ashland, " "	6	78	84	25	1	12		6 20				6 20
Pleasant Hill	A L Stamper,	Park, Va.	5	50		30	1	6		1				1
Pleasant Home	J P Spencer,	Grassy Creek, N. C.	7	60	90	10	1	5		4				4
Windfall														
Zion Hill														
Glendale	W A Severt,	Obids, " "	8	88	96		1	6		1 60				1 60
Totals			121	1362	1841	392	24	194	18	80 28	5 21	48 26	15 50	147 22

Table No. 1. Statistical.

Churches	Pastors & P. O.	Clerk & P. O.	Time of Preaching	Value of Church Property	Received by Baptism	Received by Letter	Received by Restoration	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Deaths	Males	Females	Membership
Apple Grove	Elihu Tucker, Grassy Creek, N C	Sidna Tucker, Park, Va	2	500	1	1					22	61	83
Ball Mountain	R M Burkett, Theta " "	J W Duncan Beaver Creek, N C	1	730	6	1	4	2	1		17	33	50
Beaver Creek	C M Cope, Jeffers o " "	L H Goodman, Beaver Creek " "	3	400	5				1		28	31	59
Berlin	C M Cope, Jefferson, " "	H A Eller, Berlin, " "	1	1 000	1			3	1		29	30	59
Bethel	R M Burkett, Theta, " "	C W Philipus, Beaver Creek " "	2	400	4	2			1	1	46	49	89
Big Flats	J M Arnold, Parker, " "	R C Parsons, Rovel, " "	2	750	6	2	1	2			13	36	49
Big Laurel	G M Pennington Park, Va	Loyd Kilby, Hemlock, " "	4	500	4						18	36	54
Bristol	T J Day, Park "	Arthur Callaway Jefferson, " "	3	200	1	2				1	13	32	45
Buffalo	Mi kel, Trade, Tenn	T H Ray Tree Top, " "	4	500	9	2		2		1	31	44	75
Clifton	C M Cope, Jefferson, N C	J G Miller, Clifton, " "	2	400	10	1	1	5	1		44	54	98
Forest Home	T J Day, Park, Va	J H Ashley, Warrensville, " "	4	200		3		3			11	14	25
Friendship	T M Hays Nathans Creek, N C	E F Marsh, Jefferson " "	4	600	12	2	1		1	1	35	64	99
Healing Springs	J C Blevins, Grassy Creek, " "	J N Hudler Crumple, " "	1	500		2		7	2	1	24	45	69
Jefferson	Geo M Reeves, Beaver Creek " "	W L Luther, Jefferson, " "	2	700				2		1	20	27	47
Landmark	J C Blevins, Grassy Creek, " "	L N Brinegar, Grassy Creek " "	4	1 600	16	1	1	1	2	1	58	98	156
Liberty Hill	J C Blevins, Grassy Creek N C	J H Wagoner, Nathans Creek, " "	3	365	10	2		2	3		31	38	69
Long Branch	T J Day, Park, Va	J G Welch, Edison, " "	1	160	1	2					19	26	45
Meadow View	Oscar Spencer, Grassy Creek, Va	H H Ghwaltney, Rugby, Va.	1		3			12	1		13	22	35
Mission Home	R M Burkett, Theta, N C	A D Phillips, Fleetwood, N C	3	600				1			37	53	90
Mountain View	Jesse Walton, Azen Va	J A Davis, Glenn " "	1	300	1						14	21	35
New River	Geo M Reeves, Beaver Creek, N C	W D Brown, Weaversfor " "d	3	500	2	2		2		2	40	61	101
Obids	T M Hays. Nathans Creek " "	H M Brown, Obids, " "	3	600	25			13		1	30	57	87
Old Fields	C M Cope, Jefferson " "	H M Blackburn, Summit, " "	4	300	38	9		1	3	2	74	116	190
Orion	T M Hays, Nathans Creek, " "	J F Dillard, Orion " "	1	1 000	12	3		2	1		15	26	41
Peak Valley	C S Farthing,	W H Tyree, Ashland, " "	1	350	2	2				1	13	28	41
Plaasant Hill	T J Day, Park, Va	Freel Miller, Park, Va	4	800		5	1			1	29	40	69
Pleasant Home	J C Blevins Graasy Creek, N C	W R Lovelace, Grassy Creek N C	2	400		2		1		3	36	55	91
Windfall	E Tucker, Grassy Creek, " "	J W Wagoner, Park, Va.	3	500							11	17	28
Zion Hill		G F Tyree, Wagoner, N C	3							1	10	21	31
Glendale	Geo M Reeves Beaver Creek, " "	David Wingler, Glendale S'gs " "	3		22	11				1			33
Totals			14	255	191	58	10	62	18	19	737	475	2073

REPORT OF W. M. U. OF ASHE ASSOCIATION.

The Woman's Missionery Union of the Ashe Association met with Clifton Church Sept. 9, 1914. On account of the unavoidable absence of our Vice President no formal program was planned, but a mass meeting of women of the Association was held. A brief devotional exercise was rendered, but few of the Societies were represented for they are especially hampered by a scattered membership and lack of leaders. The societies and the one Sunbeam Band have contributed something near $30 for His cause this year, the contributions coming largely from the Beaver Creek Society and Band which are the oldest and strongest in the Association. We are especially fortunate in having with us Miss Miriam Schell, who is doing work with the Central Committee of the N. C. Union during her vacation. Filled with love for her Master and his work, she could not help but exert a great influence for good as she stood so untiringly and told us of the noble work and some wonderful results of W. M. U. and the Training School the latter of which she is a student.

Words cannot express our heartfelt thanks for her presence, for, having seen and heard her, we love and better know Him for whom she is working so faithfully. Her coming to our Association has been as a refreshing shower to a dry earth; a shining star to a dark world. We could not fail to gain a vision of greater things as she brought out so many beautiful, yet to us "hidden" treasures of the Bible and we could hardly believe we were not sure enough Training School girls, so vividly did she paint the picture of life in this great institution. Our hearts go with them back to their study and we shall ever pray God's blessings upon them and the whole world for which they shall labor. Let us have a revival of Bible study in our homes and so doing, we cannot fail to gain more interest and enthusiasm for our King's Business and at our next meeting may we have a much greater amount of work done for the Master and our lives wholly consecrated to his service.

Mrs. Geo. M. Reeves, Vice-Pres.
Biddie Ray, Sec.

WEAVERSFORD, N. C., Aug. 14, 1914.

The Sunday School Convention of the Ashe Association met in its seventh annual session with New River Baptist Church at 7:30 P. M. Devotional exercises conducted by Revs. C. M. Cope and J. M. Neaves.

1. The Convention was organized by electing Rev. C.

M. Cope Chairman, and J. M. Neaves Secretary.

2. Chairman called for Sunday School reports from the Churches and six reports was received and delegates enrolled.

CHURCHES	DELEGATES
Berlin,	C. L. Stike,
New River,	J. O. Parsons, W S Deboard, W. D. Brown.
Landmark,	W. E. Denney, Millard Denney.
Friendship,	W. W. Burkett.
Healing Springs,	Mrs. Cora Ballou, Miss Clyde Grace.
Pleasant Home,	L. L. Pierce, J O Spencer L D Barker.

3. Chairman invited visiting Brethren to seats with the Convention.

4. Chairman appointed the following Committees:

On Religious Exercises, J. O. Parsons, W. W. Burkett, C. L. Stike.

Program for Saturday and Sunday, J. M. Neaves and W. S. Deboard.

Time and Place of next Convention, W. E. Denney and J. O. Spencer.

Program next convention, C. L. Stike, L. L. Pierce, and W. D. Brown.

Resolutions, F H Hash, W R Lovelace W W Burkett.

5. Report of Committee on Religious Exercise, your Committee report Devotional exercises tomorrow morning at 9:30A. M. to be conducted by J. M. Neaves, J. O. Parsons, W. W. Burkett and C. L. Stike.

6. Adjourned, Prayer by Rev. C. M. Cope.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION.

7. The Convention met according to adjournment spent one half hour in Devotional Exercises conducted by J. M. Neaves Reading Lesson, Romans 12th, Chapter.

8. The Convention was called to order by Chairman. Prayer by J. M. Neaves.

9. Read and adopted Friday's proceedings.

10. Roport of Committee on program your Committee submit the following Program:

1. The origin of the Sunday School.
2. The office of the Sunday School.
3. The relationship of the Sunday School and the Church.

Respect. submitted, J. M. Neaves and W. S. Deboard

11. Took up the Program in regular order.

12. First item. the origin of the Sunday School. Discussed by J. M. Neaves, C. M. Cope, Wm. Roberts, W. E. Denney, J. O. Spencer and C. L. Stike.

13. Adjourned one hour for refreshments, Prayer by C. L. Stike,

14. 2 P. M. the Convention was called to order by the Chairman. Prayer by Rev. D. Blackburn.

15. Second and third items taken up and discussed by

J M. Neaves, Rev. Geo. M. Reeves, Samuel Duvall and Rev. C. M. Cope.

16. Re-electing J. Fred Blackburn Supt. of S. S.

17. Re-elected E. C. Eller, J. H. Wagoner, and J. L. Goodman Executive Com. of S. S. of the Ashe Asso.

18. Report of Committee on Program and Speakers for next Convention.

19 Report of committee on time and place for next Sunday School Convention. Place: Pleasant Home church Grassy Creek, N. C. Time: Friday before the 5th Sunday in Aug., 1915, Introductory sermon to be delivered by Rev. Elihu Tucker. Rev. R. M. Burkett alternate. Respect. Submitted.

W. W. Burkett)
J. O. Spencer) Com.
W. E. Denney)

20 Report of committee on Resolutions.

In view of the Gracious hospitality enjoyed by this Sunday School Convention we hereby express and tender our thanks to the members of New River church and the many generous friends of this community for their kind hospitality extended during the sitting of this Convention. Respect, Submitted.

W. W. Burkett)
W. R. Lovlace) Com.

21 Report of committee on religious exercise. Your committee report devotional exercise at 9 a. m. Sunday to be conducted by W. E. Denney, Sunday School at 9:30 a. m. preaching at 11 a. m. by Rev. Geo. M. Reeves and Rev. C. M. Cope. Respect. Submitted

J O Parsons)
W W Burkett) Com.
C L Stike)

22 Adjourned to meet Sunday morning, 9 a m prayer by Rev Geo M Reeves, Penediction by J M Neaves

23 Sunday morning 9 a m. Convention met, spent one half hour in devotional exercises conducted by W E Denney, Sunday School at 9:30 a m Preaching service by Rev C M Cope and Rev G M Reeves at 11:30 social service at 12:30 P M Convention adjourned to meet with Pleasant Home church on Friday before the 5th Sunday in Aug 1915

Rev C M Cope Chairman
J M Neaves Secretary

LEWIS. Bro Micager Lewis was born May the 24th, 1822, deceased Jan. 3, 1914. Age 91 yrs. 7 m . 9 days. He was one of the members set apart by Mt. Pleasant Church to organize a church at Buffalo in the year 1869. Where he remained a consistent member until death, T. H. R.

SEVERT. Clarance Odell Severt was born May 25, 1900 Died Aug. 22, 1914. Age 14 years 2 mo. and 28 days Joined the church Dec. 18, 1913 was baptized Dec. 21, and for a young member lived an unusual consecrated member until death. When God bade him come, he asked his mama and friends to accompany him to his Heavenly home, and with smiles he bade adieu this world with hopes to meet again. His friend, LETHA.

DEBONIS. Sister Katie Debonis, daughter of Lee and Ettie Hash, was born June 14, 1891. She married James Debonis Oct. 11, 1911, and died Dec. 9 1913 Age 22 yrs 5 mo and 25 days, She leaves a husband, mothe , one sister and 7 brothers in this troublesome world but we hope they will be prepared to meet Katie in a better land. She professed a hope in Christ in the year 1908 and joined Pleasant Home church and lived a christian life until death. We believe today she is realizing the joys of Heaven.

Frank Debonis born Oct. 15, died Nov. 3 1913 age 19 days, The ittle babe has gone to rest to reign with Jesus ever blest. S. E B.

LUTHER. Sister Jane A Luther was born Apr 19, 1836, died Nov. 6 1913, age 77 yrs 6 mo and 17 days. She was married to W N Luther Apr 13 1854 to this union was born 8 children 3 sons and 5 daughters, all of whom are living. She had been a member of the Baptist Church for 29 years and lived a consistent member until the Lord called her from this world of trouble to a world of happiness above, for we all feel assured from the life that she lived that she has gone to a home that's prepared for the blessed. Sister Luther was confined to her bed about 6 years she bore her sickness patiently and never murmured she always met her friends with a smile, we all hope to meet Sister Luther up yonder above, where sad parting will be no more. Written by friends

LYALL. Alice Lee Lyall was born Jan 16, 1889, died May 14th, 1914, age 25 yrs 4 mo. 2 days, She professed a faith in Christ, March 1906, joined the church and lived a devoted christian until death A Friend.

BARKER. Bro. Eli Barker was born Dec. 3, 1850 died Apr 11, 1914, age 63 years 4 mo 8 days. Bro Barker professed a hope in Christ when he was about 40 years of age, and joined the Landmark Baptist Church and was ordained a Deacon of the church about 1897, and lived a consistent christian life in the same until about 3 years ago when he was granted a letter of dismission and united with Healing Springs Baptist Church, and lived faithful until death. Bro. Barker leaves a companion and two children and many friends to mourn their loss. Bro. Barker was conscious to the end and died in full triumph of faith so as the soul and body sever we say farewell but not forever.

J. M. Ballou } Committee.
N. F. Ballou }

BROWN. Bro. Frank Brown was born Oct. 9, 1866 and departed this life Aug. 9, 1914. age 47 years 10 mo. he professed faith in Christ Oct 1899 and joined Bethel Baptist Church and moved by letter to Obids Baptist Church he lived a consistant member from the time of his conversion till death weep not companion, children,

brothers and sisters, for if we be ready when the death angel comes for us, we feel assured that we can atrike glad hands with him on the other shore. Frank is not dead but sleepeth, to awake in the likeness of Jesus. Our loss is his eternal gain. A Friend

WALTERS Martha A. Walters was born Apr. 29, 1850, died Dec. 3, 1913, age 63 years 7 mo. 8 days She professed faith in Christ at an early age and joined the Baptist Church at Bethel of which she lived a consecrated christian until her death. She confessed her willingness to die, and get out of her suffering and meet her loved ones gone on before. Pearl Walters

WALTERS Emaline Walters was born May 19, 1831, departed this life Apr. 10, 1914 Age 82 yrs 10 mo. 21 days, She Was the daughter of Jacob and Annie Goodman. She was married to Jacob Walters Dec 20, 1845 ,unto which union was born 18 children 11 of which are living 4 boys and 7 girls. She proressed a hope in Christ and joined the Baptist Church at the age of 15 and lived a consecrated member until death. She was a good companion and a kind and loving mother, a good neighbor and loved by all who knew her and loved most by those who knew her best. Weep not dear children and friends only strive to meet the loved one.

Her Pastor R. M. Burkett.

BURKETT Chas J. Burkett was born Dec 5, 1888. Died Mar. 7, 1914, age 26 yrs 3 mo. 2 days. The son of Geo W and Catherine Burkett and brother of Rev. R. M. Burkett. he professed faith in Christ at the age of 13 and joined the Baptist Church ot Friendship of which he remained a member until death, Patiently endured 8 motnhs of suffering with heart dropsy, but was ready and willing to go at the good Lord's command. Weep not dear father, brothers and sisters for the loved one, who is now singing the sweet song of Zion. Only press on and strive to meet him in yonder world where there is no more good byes Lela Burkett

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CONSTITUTION

Art 1 This body shall be called the Ashe Association.

2 The object of this association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the gospel in our bounds, and in all the world, and in this work the association will co-operate with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

3 The members of this body shall be all the ordained ministers of the churches of this association, and three delegates from each church, who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment, and giving statistics or the membership, and work of the church.

4 At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a moderator, clerk and treasurer in such a way as the association may direct, The two last offices may be held by the same brother.

5 The moderator shall preside at the meetings, preserve order, appoint committees and perform such other duties as are required of presiding officers.

6 The clerk shall keep correct record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing, and distributing to the churches the proceedings of the body.

7 The treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent to the association, pay them out as the asscciation may direct, and make a report to each annual session.

8 The Association shall hold an annual meeting at such time and place as may be agreed upon.

9 At each annual meeting there shall be appointed an executive committee of five brethern, who shall look after the destitution in the bounds of this association, and co-operate with the State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention, making to the next session a report of the work done and all the general State Mission work.

10 The Association shall convene annually on Tuesday after the first Sunday in September. At each annual session there shall be appointed committees to make reports to the ensueing session on the following subjects to-wit; State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Pastoral Support, Ministerial Education Baptist Orphanage, Bibical Recorder, Temperance, Digest church letters, Finance, Place and Preacher for next Association

11 Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

12 The Association will not receive nor retain in permanent fellowship any Churches that retains in its fellowship any member who is disorderly in doctrine or practice or who makes, sells, or in any way deals in ardent spirits as abeverage.

13 This Constitution may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual session.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES

1 We believe in one only true and living God, and that there are three persons in the God head, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost and that these three are one.

2 We believe that the Bible, the Old and New Testament is the word of God and the only rule of Faith and Practice.

3 We believe in the impotency of man and the sovereignity of God.

4 We believe that salvation is by Grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5 We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ to be practiced only by believers in their scriptural order.

6 We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administartor and that only those who are thus baptized and are infellowship with the church in feeling and doctrine should take the Lord's Supper.

7 We believe in the final perseverance of the saints in grace to Glory.

8 We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment.

9 We believe that the existence of the righteous and of the wicked will both be of eternal duration and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wiched will both be eternal.

RULES OF ORDER

1 Every session shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2 When the Moderator calls the house to order every member shall at once take his seat.

3 When a member wishes to speak he shall rise and address the Moderator and not proceed till he has been recognized.

4 No member shall speak more than twice on any subject except by permission of the body.

5 No member shall leave the body during the session without permission of the Moderator.

6 It will be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold private conversation while the Moderator is speaking.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

FIRST DAY, 11 A. M.

1 Introductory Sermon.
2 Adiournment.

FIRST DAY, 1 P. M.

1 Assembling of Association.
2 Roll call of churches.
3 Organization and election of Officers.
4 Reception of New Churches.
5 Invitation to Visitors.
6 Reading Constitution, Abstract of Principles and Rules of Order.
7 Appointment of Committes.
8 Report on Home Missions.
9 Report of Historian.
10 Report on Religious Exercises.
11 Announcement of Homes for Messengers and Visitors.

SECOND DAY, 8:30 A. M.

1 Devotional Exercises.
2 Reception of new churches.
3 Report on S. S. work.
4 Report on Orphanage.
5 Report on State Missions,

SECOND DAY, 1 P. M.

1 Report on Ministeral Education.
2 Report on Bibical Recorder.
3 Report on Temperance.
4 Report of Committee to appoint Executive Committee.
5 Report on Digest of Church Letters.
6 Report on Place and Preacher.
7 Report on Religious Exercises.

THIRD DAY, 8:30 A. M.

1 Devotional Exercises.
2 Report on Resolutions.
3 Report of Historian.
4 Report of Finance Committee.
5 Report on Pastorial Support.
6 Report on Foreign Missions,
7 Adjourment.

DIRECTORS OF THE ASHE ASSOCIATION.

Prof. J. C. Goodman, Moderator, Beaver Creek, N. C.
James Eller, Vice-Pres., ... Berlin, ..
J. W. Duncan, Clerk & Treasurer, Beaver Creek, ..

Executive Committee.

C. W. Phillips,.....Beaver Creek, N. C.
E. C. Eller, ... Berlin, ..
J. F. Dillard,..... ....Orion, ..
J. M. Ballou,..... .....Crumpler, ..
Irdell Barker,.....Grassy Creek, ..

State Mission Board.

H. A. Eller,... ....Berlin, ..

Ordained Ministers.

Burkett, R. M..... ....Theta, ..
Banks, W. J.....Grassy Creek, ..
Blackburn, Coy,..... .....Piney Creek, ..
Blevins, J. C..... ....Grassy Creek, ..
Blackburn, J. Fred.....Idlewild, .
Barker, W. F.....Grassy Creek, ..
Carter, I. M..... ....
Campbell, Neal..... ....Thaxton, ..
Day, T. J.....Warrensville, ..
Denney, W. E.....Grassy Creek, ..
Denney, G. L..... .. .. ..
Glen, W. H..... Glen, ..
Greer, R. G..... ....Fleetwood, ..
Hart, J. R..... ..Park, Va.
Hayse, T. M. .. ..Nathans Creek, N. C.
Haire, P. H. ....White Head, ..
Neeves, J. M..... .....Weavers Ford, ..
Porter, W. M..... ....Warrensville, ..
Pennington, Geo. M.....Park, Va.
Reeves Geo. M. ....Beaver Creek, N. C.
Spencer, J. O..... .... Grassy Creek, ..
Shoaf, R, L..... . .....Seven Mile Ford, Va.
Trivett, J. S..... .....Fleetwood, N. C.
Wilcox, Joseph..... Benge, ..
Woodruff, W. A.....Fleetwood, ..

Licentiates

Carlton, W. E. ....Baldwin, N. C.
Grub, T. W. ....
Sheets, David..... .....Glen, ..
Blevins, Voy.....Grassy Creek. ..

Messengers Present At The Association

Representing the different churches to-wit;

Apple Grove, S. N. Howell, Henry Miller, Wilson Hurley.

Bald Mountian, C. E. Trivett, Walter Houck, J. W. Duncan.

Beaver Creek, Mills Goodman, R. H. Goodman T. F. Ray.
Berlin, E. C. Eller. F. R. Jones, H. A. Eller.
Bethel, W. W. Phillips, C. W. Phillips.
Big Flats, R. A. Goodman, R. C. Parsons.
Big Laurel, Floyd Kilby.
Bristol, A. F. Sheets.
Buffalo, Dr. S. L. Perkins, Cicero Harless, Wily Hodgson.
Clifton, C. S. Eastridge.
Forest Home, W. A Johnson, Thos. Johnson, J. H. Ashley.
Friendship, Riley Shatley, W. W. Burkett, Walter Weaver.
Glendale, J. C. Bowlin.
Healing Springs, N. F. Ballou, J. M. Ballou, M. D. Blackburn.
Jefferson. R. F. Gentry, T. E. Compbell, C. A. Dickson.
Landmark, C. J. Carter, J. C. Denny, James Hurley.
Liberty Hill, W. M. Sanders, H. L. Goodman, J. P, Shepherd.
Long Branch, W. E. Hardy, Monroe Welch.
Meadow View, I. P. Barker, C. E. Waddell, H. H. Gaultney
Mission Home, J. E. Johnson.
Mountain Veiw, George Coldiron, J. J, Denny.
New River, B. H. Shepherd, C. M. Blackburn.
Obids, Lee Harless, W. A. Vannoy, Milligan Faw.
Oldfields, J. M. Blackburn, Willie Blackburn.
Orion, W. C, Absher, W. H. Miller, E. D. Coldiron.
Pleasent Hill, (none.)
Pleasent Home, W. R. Lovelace, Voy Blackburn, L. L. Pierce.
Pilot Mountain, B. B. Church, Joe Phillips, Felix Houck.
Zion Hill, W. H. Sheets.

Proceedings,

Theta, Ashe County, N. C.
Tuesday, September 7th, 1915.

The Ashe Association met in its 29th annual Session with Friendship Baptist Church at 11 a. m., and the proceedings were as follows:

1 The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Rev. C. M. Cope, Text: Matthew, 22 Chapter 37-38 verses. 37 Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, with all thy soul and with all thy mind. 38 This is the first and great Commandment,

2 Adjourned 1 hour.

TUESDAY EVENING SESSION SEPT. 7th, 1 P. M.

3 The Association met according to adjournment and was called to order by the Moderator, Prof. J. C. Goodman, prayer by Rev. E. Blevins.

4 The roll of Churches was called by Moderator, 29 letters were handed in from respective Churches,

5 On motion, officers election proceeded. Clerk F. R. Jones declinging to serve as Clerk and Treasurer. On motion the election was held by private ballot. The Tetters reported, J. C. Goodman of Beaver Creek, N. C. elected Moderator and J. W. Duncan of Beaver Creek, N. C. elected Clerk and Treasurer.

6 The Mod. called for new Churches whereupon Clifton Church was received into the body.

7 The Moderator invited visitors to a seat in the Association, whereupon Rev. C. M. Cope, of South Yadkin, Rev. E. Blevins of Lebanon, W. R. Bradshaw, Representing State Mission Board, F. B. Hamrick representing Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville, N. C. Hon. R. L. Doughton and C. A. Reeves of Alleghany Association were seated with the body.

8 The Constitution Abstract of Principles and Rules of Order were read by J. W. Duncan.

9 Rev. W. J. Canks was appointed to preach in the Grove at2:30 p. m. Text Ephesians 2 chapter 8th verse.

ANNUAL COMMITTEE APPOINTED.

STATE MISSIONS: H. A. Eller.
HOME " Iredell Barker.
FOREIGN " C. L. Blevins.
PASTORAL SUPPORT: J. C. Denny.
MINISTERIAL ED.; Geo. M. Reeves.
BAP. ORPHANAGE: F B Hamrick.
BIBICAL RECORDER: J E. & J. R. Johnston.
TEMPERANCE: REV. P. H. Haire & Reece Goodman.
DIGEST CHURCH LETTERS M. M. Blevins, R. F. Gentry
FINANCE: B. H. Shepherd; E C. Eller & Carl Eastridge.

10 Committees were appointed by Moderator to fill vacancies and absentees as follows:

Pastoral Support: J. M. Ballou.

Temperance: W. E. Hodgson and J. C. Bowlin.

Finance: E. C. Eller, B. H. Duncan, Carl Eastridge, Lee Goodman,

Religious exercises: Rev. P. H. Haire, Reece Goodman, pastor and delegate from this church.

To nominate an executive committee J. C. Denny, R. F. Gentry, Walter Phillips.

Place and Preacher of next Association, Reece Goodman, C. E. Trivett, J. C. Bowlin, B. H. Shepherd, W. R. Lovelace.

Obituaries, Dr. S. L. Perkins. C. A. Carlton.

Resolutions, T. E. Campbell, Revs. J. C. Blevins and W. R. Bradshaw.

Digest Church Letters; J. F. Dillard, H. H. Gaultney, Walter Houck, J. P. Shepherd, C. J. Carter.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The Home Mission began work seventy years ago, when the Southern Baptist Convention was organized.

It has been a great force for a good during all these years, and there is hardly a neighborhood in all the territory of the convention that has not been bettered by its aid. A partial summary of last year's work is taken from the report of the Board. Viz: workers employed 1561. Baptisms reported 38,310 Total additions to church 63,970. churches constituted 215. houses of worship built and improved 220. S. S. organized 641, Bibles and Testaments distributed. 20,237 copies, Mountain Schools, 34, Teachers 172, Students, 5,218, of whom 88 were ministerial Students. $530,266.34, was the total expenditure of this board last year, and the board thinks the present year report is the most glorious report in its history, notwithstanding the disturbance in the business world caused by the European war.

We should, seriously, consider the increased responsibility, that will rest upon Christian people of this Country, to give the Gospel to the world at large the when Nations of Europe shall cease hostilities and to protect our own County from the many errors that

will seek to find lodgement and favor here, when the Europeans realize their exhausted and ruined condition, as they will, when war is over, they will pore into our Country for imployment and citizenship at a record breaking rate.

If our Home Mission Boards be prepared for such a crices well, if not we lose a great opportunity to honor God and serve humanity and retard the work of Missions perhaps indefinitely, we therefore recommend and urge upon the Churches the necessity of becoming alert to the situation and make special effort to interest and enhst the every member in this work. Submitted. H. A. ELLER.

12 Report on Home Missions, read and adopted.

Discussed by Revs. P. H. Haire and W. R. Bradshaw.

The following Churches made pledges to-wit:

Apple Grove.	$5	Landmark,	$2
Ball Mountain,	2	Liberty Hill,	1
Beaver Creek,	6	Long Branch,	1
Berlin,	3	Mission Home,	2
Bethel,	3	Obids,	1
Big Laurel,	1	Oldfields,	2
Bristol,	1	Orion,	2
Buffalo,	5	Zion Hill,	1
Forest Home,	1	Glendale,	1
Freindship,	3	Pleasent Home,	2
Healing Springs	2	New River,	3
Jefferson,	5	Total,	55

13 Report on Historian read and adopted.

REPORT OF HISTORIAN

13 In 1755 Shubal Steams and his brother-in-law Daniel Marshel, came from Virginia to Gilford County to Sandy Creek, now in Randolph County, N. C., held a protracted meeting and organized a Church named Sandy Creek Steams remained there in these years In 1758 the first Association in Virginia or North Carolina, was organized by them. The Sandy Creek Association, that Association covered all the territory now covered by Western North Carolina, East Tennessee and Southwest Virginia. There were four churches belonging to it that is now in what is known as East Tennessee. In 1790 the Yadkin Association, 100 miles or more west of Sandy Creek, was organized It covered the western part of the territory of old Sandy Creek. Fox Creek Church now in Grayson County Virginia, Sugar Grove and St. Clair's Creek in Smyth County, Virginia, belonged to it. My great grandfather George McNeil from Scotland was its Moderator, Thomas Johnson was a delegate at the organization of the Yadkin Association They appointed two or three men to travel as Missionaries and appointed a Trustee to receive and distribute the funds. Andrew Baker came to old Fox Creek Church, preached and went over to Smyth County to Sugar Grove and St. Clair's Bottom. In 1799 the Mountian Association was set off from the Yadkin Association. It covered the greater part of the Southwest Virginia and all of Wilkes County west of the Blue Ridge and had seven churches east of the Mountains. Those east of the mountains were constituted into the Roaring River Association.

Afterwards the Mountain Association set off the Watauga and Senter Associations. In 1821 at Lewis meeting house in Wilkes County, the Briar Creek Association was organized from the Yadkin Association In 1848, Oct. 30th; The Jefferson Association was organized at Liberty Church near Jefferson, N. C. In 1871 The Jefferson was reorganized into the New River at Baptist Union Church, Grayson County, Virginia. In the year of 1886 the Ashe and Alleghany Association was organized with nine churches, six from Ashe and three from Alleghany Counties at Buffalo church. Elder T. M. Honeycutt was President and H. A. Eller, Secretary. Elder G. W. Green was present and drew the Constitution. The first session after the organization was held with New Hope Church in Alleghany County, 1887. Quite a number of visitors were there to-wit: Revs. E. F. Jones, S. M Collis, Iredell Privett, and others. The first Executive Committee, W. C. Fields, G H. Phillips and James Eller.

Respectfully Submitted,
James Eller, Historian. Adopted.

On September 24th and 25th, 1886, delegates from eight Baptist Churches in Ashe and Alleghany Counties met with the Buffalo Baptist Church, and organized the Ashe and Alleghany Associations with Rev. T. M. Honeycutt, as Moderator and Bro. H. A. Eller as Clerk. The annual sessions of said Association were held with the following Churches.

New Hope,	1887.
Apple Grove,	1888
Landmark,	1889.
Jefferson,	1890.
Sparta,	1891.
Bethel,	1892.
Apple Grove,	1893.
Healing Springs,	1894.
Liberty,	1895.
Brushy Fork,	1896.

During the time from 1886 to 1896, Revs. T. M. Honneycutt, D. W. Thompson, D. J. Harris, J. F. Fletcher, W. W. White, J. C. Johnson, T. M Duncan and J. C. Carper served as missionaries in the two counties, and were instrumental in the organization of the following Churches:

Jefferson and Rye Cove, in 1887,

Baptist Home, Brushey Fork, Landmark, and New Cranberry in 1889.

Clifton, Laurel Bprings and Beaver Creek, 1890.

Mission Home, New River, Peak Valley and Obids, in 1891.

Liberty, and Zion Hill in 1894.

Meadow Veiw and Calloway's Chapel in 1895.

At the annual sessions mentioned in this report Brethern, T. M. Honneycut, W. C. Fields, T. M. Duncan, and J H. Dougton served as Moderators. Bro. H. A. Eller served as Clerk, contionusly, except at the 1895 session, when Rev. R. Shoaf served.

Pledges for the support of Missionary work in the two counties were made at the different sessions from 1886 to 1896, to the amount of One thousand one hundred sixty three dollars and fifty cents.

The financial tables giving the Church statistics shows only $468.66 paid for the same purpose. What about the balance of $694. 84?

The State Board of Missions gave liberally to the support of the

work in the said counties from year to year, without which aid the Baptist cause in the two mentioned counties would have suffered greatly.

At these ten sessions the subjects of Education, Home Mssions, Foreign Missions and the Baptist Orphanage received slight financial aid; also the churches increased from 9, with a membership of about 500 to 31, with a membership of about 1300.

At the 1896 session, held with Brushy Fork Baptist Church a committee was appointed to consider the advisability of dividing the Ashe and Alleghany Association.

Respectfully Submitted;

J. C. GOODMAN,

Dicussed by Dr. S. L. Perkins, J. C. Goodman.

14 Moderator appointed a committee to name Historian, to-wit; J. F. Blackburn, J. C. Blevins, R. F., Gentry.

Mod. appointed Rev. C. M. Cope to Supply R. H. Goodman on State Missions.

15 Report on Religous exercises: Rev. W. Carlton for Devotional exercises at 8:30 a. m.; Rev. W. R. Bradshaw at 11 a. m.; Rev. J. C. Blevins at 2:30 p. m. Assisted by Rev. P. H. Haire.

16 Announcement of homes for Messengers and visitors by R. P Witherspoon, appointed to meet tomorrow morning at 8:30 a. m. Prayer by Rev. W. R. Bradshaw.

J. C. Goodman, Moderator.
J. W. Duncan, Clerk.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SEPT. 8th, 8:30 a. m.

17 The Association met according to adjournment. Spent one-half hour in devotional exercises conducted by Rev. W. E. Carlton.

18 The Association was called to order by the Moderator.

19 Read and adopted Tuesday's proceedings.

20 A letter was handed in from Pilot Mountain Baptist Church, and received into the Association.

21 Report on S. S. work read and adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT.

We, your committee appointed at the last Session of the Ashe County Association, submit the following report on Snnday School work:

1 I, J Fred Blackbur have visited twenty-seven Sunday Schools; made fifty two Sunday School addresses to large audiences.

2 At our last Session the respective delegates pledged fifty-seven dollars and fifty aents, of which amount only twenty nine dollars and ninety five cents has been paid.

3 On visiting the twenty-seven Sunday Schools, we found that

only fourteen had evergreen Sunday Schools, that is keeping them open during the whole year. We by persuasion succeeding in getting the fourteen Sunday Schools, which had been closing during the winter, to continue during the winter, thus establishing fourteen additional evergreen Sunday Schools.

4. We, your committee recomend that all our churches strive earnestly to increase the Sunday school attendance and institute the principle of systematic giving. Because we are forced to believe that the problem of living can only be solved by systamatic giving.

Respectfully Submitted.

J. Fred. Blackburn

Discussed by, Rev. J. F. Blackburn, W. R. Bradshaw, Dr. S. L. Perkins, F. B. Hamrick and J. C. Blevins.

22. Report on Orphanage read and adopted.

ORPHANAGE REPORT.

Our Orphanage is the keystone in the arch of Christain service. If this stone is properly placed all the others in the arch will hold firm; if it is improperly placed the whole structure is in danger.

Love for the Orphanage among our brethern is intense but not universal. The great need is to lay upon the heart of every church and Sunday school the Orphanage obligation. If this consummation is ever reached the problem for ample support for the institution will be solved.

Owing to the large advance that has been made within the past year the Orphanage is heavily in debt. This brings the unpleasant necessity of making a large outlay for interest on borrowed money, which goes to banks instead of to the children. This ought not so to be. We are abundantly able to pay every dollar the institution owes this year, and if able, we ought to be willing.

It is proposed to our people that the income of one day be sacredly set aside, at or near Thanksgiving day, and devoted to the Orphanage. If it is would seize the hearts of our people and every man, woman and child would enter heartily into this loving service, every dollar of debt would be wiped out, and the institution would be free from the bondage that now hampers its work and curtails its usefulness.

We earnestly urge every member of the churches of this association to join this "work day" movement and give the proceeds of one day's labor or income to the Orphanage. We may do more but we should not do less.

Every Sunday school ought to set aside one Sunday in each month as Orphanage day and give the members a opportunity to make a contribution to the Orphanage. Only a little over one third of the Baptist Sunday schools are enrolled among this loyal band of monthly givers.

Every Sunday school ought to take a club of Charity & Children and an individual copy for pastors and homes that are not represented in the Sunday school. The paper is the right arm of the institution, and aside from the information and inspiration it furnishes, produces a good dividend for the support of the Orphanage.

During its thirty years of continued growth the institution has sheltered and trained over 1600 boys and girls, who have now out in the state as teachers, preachers, doctors, printers, farmers, business men and fathers and mothers of happy homes. There are 9 in various colleges and about a dozen in the denominational high

schools, The present number is 500—450 at Thomasville, 50 at Kennedy Home—with an average cost of $113.28 per child or 31 cents the day, aggregating an annual cost of $56,640.00

Our Orphanage has been enlarged and still the task looms before us as just begun. We urge every member of this association that they regard the Orphanage in larger terms as an opportunity unparalled. This waiting door stands too wide for "same as last year" contributions to ever satisfy any working body of Baptists.

Your committee recommend:

1. A liberal Thanksgiving offering emphasizing the importance of "WORK DAY," giving not less than one day's labor or income to the Orphanage.
2. That every Sunday School will sacredly set apart the collection of one Sunday in each month for the support of the Orphanage.
3. That every Sunday School take a club of Charity and Children.

Discussed by, F. B. Hamrick, P. H. Haire, W. E. Carlton, R. A. Goodman and W. R. Bradshaw:-

Church Pledges.

Meadowview,	$1.		
Beaver Creek,	25.	Forest Home,	$2.
Baldmountain,	5.	Friendship,	6.
Berlin,	5.	Healing Springs,	5.
Bethel,	5.	Jefferson,	10.
Bristol,	1.	Landmark,	6.
Buffalo,	5.	Liberty Hill,	5.
Clifton,	3.	Meadowview,	8.50
Mission Home,	5.	New River,	1.
Old Field,	5.	Orion,	2.
Pleasant Home,	10.	Glendale,	1.
Pilot Mountain,	2.	Total Church Pledges,	115.50

INDIVIDUAL PLEDGES.

R. A. Goodman pd	$1.	J. E. Johnson pd	$1.
H. A. Eller pd	1.	R. P. Witherspoon,	1.
J. P. Shepherd,	1.	C. S. Estridge,	1.
W. E. Carlton,	1.	E. C. Eller,	1.
C. A. Dickson,	1.	R. F. Gentry,	1.
W. F. Eller,	1.		

Total Individual Pledges	$ 11.00
Total Church Pledges	115.50
Grand Total	$126.50

23 Report of executive committee, Read and Adopted.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

We recommend that this Association raise a State fund of not less than $600 six hundred dollars.

This fund to be used in supplementing destitute places, and to

carry on the work at Old Jefferson Church and the New Church being built at West Jefferson. There will soon be built a new and handsome Church at West Jefferson, this house being built by about 25 to 30 men of our County, and we as Missionary Baptist should lend a helping hand to put a strong man on this work. We have a good and favorable report from our pastors that had charge of churches the past year made and substantial gains in most all our churches. Brthern let's all come together as a unit and stand firm to the Missionary move among us, and don't fall short of what we have been doing, but go forward.

Submitted.

J. W. Duncan.
E. C. Eller.
J. F. Dillard.

23 A.—Report on State Missions, Read and Adopted.

The work of State Missions, for the first twenty-five years of the convention's life, was known as Home Mission, after the organization of the Southern Baptist Convention, and the appointment of the home mission board, the name of the work in the state was changed from home missions, to state missions. There is still some confusion as to these departments of our mission work. There are those who think that home missions mean work nearest home, and, therefore, in our State The home mission board is located at Atlanta, and its missions is to aid those states which are not able to cope with the destruction within their borders

The work of the state board is confined to the state. While in some sections the Baptist are quite strong, numerically, in other portions of the state they are very weak, numerically, and can not maintain their regular worship unless aid from some outside source is extended.

No other department of our work has done so much toward strengthing our denomination, as state missions has done, half of the chusches in the state have been organized by the missionarys of the state board, and these churches are giving two-thirds of all that is given to carry on the work of the Lord Between seventy and eighty-thousand people have been baptized by the missionarys since the board began its work, eighty-five years ago

A Dozen Years

Lest some may think, that we are dealing altogether with ancient history, let us consider some of the results that have been achieved during the last twelve years There have been organized on our mission fields during this time, 50 churches and the missionarys reported over 20,000 baptisms Two-hundred and twenty houses of worship have been built at a cost of over $250,000, nearly 100 churches have become selfsustaining

Last Year's Figures

The reports of the missionarys for last year show 2,137 baptisms 2,638 professions of faith and 150 added by letter. 41 houses of worship were in course of construction and 15 were completed. Contributed to objects of the convention $14,042,56 and total amount raised on mission fields, including pastors' salaries and church building. $105,894,21 or more than twice as much as we received for state missions.

Work to be Done

Our greatest destitution is in the east, there are twenty counties

in the east, whose population in 1800 was 255,537 and in 1910 was 399,511 if the ratio of increase has been maintained we have in these twenty counties now 439,491 of which number about 200,000 are white, in the state as a whole one white person in every six is a baptist, while in the twenty counties we are considering one white person in every 38 is a baptist, so far as baptist are concerned the destitution is more than six times as great as in the state at large In this section the board is expending more money than in any other If any one is disposed to doubt the wisdom of the expenditure his attention is called to the fact that the Roanoke to which the board makes the largest appropriation led the state last year in its per capital contributions, in North Carolina 880 000 of our people are professing christians leaving 132.000 who are yet unsaved as the are nearly as many baptist in the state as all other denominations put together, we are far more responsible for the future of our state religously than any other denomination. In state missions we not only have an opportunity of giving the gospel to the people of our own state but we are adding to our denominational strength and are thereby making it possible to do more for all the interests of the kingdom.

Now in veiw of the fact that one beloved Sec. Dr Livingston Johnson has accepted pastorial work and will give up the work as Sec. at our next convention, let us therefore rally to the cause of state missions as never before that he may not have to go out with a debt on our board.

Resp't sub.

C. M. Cope.

INDIVIDUAL PLEDGES as follows:-

T. F. Ray,	$10		J. E. Johnson,	$1	
Dr. S. L. Perkins,	pd 10		E. C. Eller,	5	
C. J. Carter	1		F. M. Bower	1	
W. R. Weaver	2		Carl Eastridge	2	pd
H. A. Eller	10		J. E. Witherspoon	1	pd
T. E. Campbell	2		W. W. Burkett	1	
R. P. Witherspoon	2		A. G. Witherspoon	1	
G. C. Green	5		F. J. Day	1	
W. E. Hodgson	pd 2	pd	W. E. Hodgson Mrs.	1	pd
Wiley Phillips	2		P. H. Haire	1	
W. T. Perkins	1		J. C. Denney	1	
J. C. Bowlin	1		S. A. Campbell	1	
David Burkett	1		Milligan Faw	pd	.50
J. P. Shepherd	1	pd	C. W. Phillips	10	
J. M. Ballou	1		Albert Houck	1	
M. D. Blackburn	1		Lee Goodman	1	
W. G. Jones	pd 1		Stephen Sturgill	1	
				$86.50	

CHURCH PLEDGES

Apple Grove	$ 5	Bald Mountain	2
Beaver Creek	25	Berlin	10
Bethel	25	Bristol	2
Buffalo	10	Clifton	10
Forest Home	3	Friendship	15
Glendale	2	Healing Springs	5
Jefferson	10	Landmark	5
Mission Home	5	Long Branch	1
Pilot Mountain	5	Old Fields	30
Orion	10	Zion Hill	2
Mountain View	2	Total Church Pledges	$184.00
		Individual Pledges	83.50
		Individual & Church	267.50

Adjourned 1 hour for refreshments.

Prayer by Rev. C. M. Cope.

24 Wednesday evening, The Association met according to adjournment.

Report on Ministerial Education Read and Adopted.

It is true that men of every avocation of life are striving for an education, the mechanic must have an education, the book keeper, the school teacher all require this polishing touch to fit them for business in life, but Jesus says "Seek first the kingdom of heaven and His righteousness and all these things shall be added," but it is an effort on the part of every individual. God has wonderfully blessed us in a land of high schools and theological seminaries. Brethren until we are able to bring our young ministers in contact with them it will do them no good. Your committee doesn't think there was ever a time that laborers were more needed than at present, therefore be it resolved that we as a body of baptists pay our pastors more and support the cause of Christ more liberally and earnestly and show our appreciation for the many blessings that we have received from His hands.

God has given us this work to do.

Submitted

J. C. Denney

Discussed by G. M. Reeves and Hon. T. C. Bowie, (Representing West Jefferson Land Co., made speech and submited proposition,) J. O. Goodman, J. C. Goodman and S. L. Perkins.

A committee was appointed to confer with the West Jefferson Land Company:

W. H. Garvey, G. C. Green, Dr. S. L. Perkins, H. A. Eller, C. W. Phillips, J. O. Goodman, R. H. Goodman, E. C. Eller, T. F. Ray, J. M. Ballou, Geo. M. Reeves, J. R. Johnson, T. E. Campbell and M. M. Blevins. All officers and ministers of this Association are included on this committee.

25 Report on Biblical Recorder read and adopted:

REPORT ON BIBLICAL RECORDER.

The Recorder is one of the best religious papers I know of. It is clean and religiously inspiring through its pages, we are able to get all the news about our denominational work, such as the associational working of the state and the missionary societies and the many pleasant letters by the editor and brethren Middleton, Johnson and many other able writers which ought to inspire every Baptist to a greater and nobler work.

We recommend the Recorder to new subscribers as when one once subscribes for the paper and keeps it, you need not ask him to renew his subscription.

Let us as Baptist see that our young boys and girls have a copy to read every week instead of the trashy novels and literature.

Submitted.

Geo. M. Reeves.

Discussed by Rev. Geo. M. Reeves, J. C. Goodman, and H. A. Eller.

26 Report on Temperance read and adopted:

TEMPERANCE.

North Carolina has had State-wide prohibition since 1908 –

Four States and about 90 per of the remaining territory of the entire South have laws forbiding the sale of intoxicating liquors. Those laws have been a great blessing to our commonwealth as well as the South at large. The Church has played an important part in bringing about the results already achieved. But the fight for absolute temperance in the United States has only begun, we as a church and people must continue our fight until our fair land shall have been freed forever from the curse of rum. Wine, rum, gin and brandy have been a blighting sirocco to our people. We must earnestly and prayerfully insist that our churches do all in their power to enforce the laws already enacted. We father recommend that our churches deal with their members, who participate in the use of intoxicating beverages. We father recommend that the Ashe Association wage an unrelenting and uncompromising battle against the great curse of drunkness and do all in our power to drive the rum fiend forever from this fair land of ours.

Respectfully submitted.

Committee on Intemperance { W E. Carelton. J. C Bowlin.

Discussed by Rev. Geo. M. Reeves. P. H. Haire and Dr. S. L. Perkins.

27 Report on Digest of Church Letters by Clerk.

REPORT ON DIGEST OE CHURCH LETTERS.

Received by Baptism	196
" " Letter	57
" " Restoration	14
Total	267
Dismissed by Letter	49
Excluded	43
Lost by Death	15
Total	107

Membership	Net Increase	160
	Males	784
	Females	1251
	Total	2035

The finance work of our churches for the year just ended is ás follows:

Minute Fund	$ 46.25
Home Missions	50.22
Foreign Missions	58.54
Orphanage	84.79
The Poor	88.00
Other Objects	172.78
State Missions	328.49
Building and Repairs	451.50
Pastors Salaries	921.93
Total	$2202.50

We regret to report that Clifton church lost 74 members by disbanding and reorganizing, but we hope it was for the best. We note that Landmark lost 32 members by revising her church book. A wise step in the right direction.

Pilot Mountain church with a membership of 51 was received into the body.

Of the 32 churches in the Ashe Association, 28 were represented by letter and delegates; 1 by letter only: while Baptist Home, Peak Valley and Windfall were not represented at all.

28 Report of committee to appoint an Executive:-

We your committee to appoint Executive Committee submit the following committee:- C. W. Phillips E. C. Eller, J F. Dillard, J. M. Ballou and Iredell Barker. Provided that this body will revise article 9. of our Constitution so as to permit the appointment of five Brethren instead of three.

Respectfully submitted,

R F. Gentry.
J. C. Denny.

By order of the association change was made as report requests.

29 Report of Committee on Time, Place and Preacher for next year.

We your committee on place and preacher, after careful and prayerful deliberation, respectfully submit the following as our report; place New River Missionary Baptist Church 12 miles north east of Jefferson, preacher to deliver the annual sermon Rev. W. J. Banks, at 11 a. m. Tuesday after the first Sunday in Sept ,1916.

Rev. J. C. Blevins Alternate

J. C. Bowlin
R. A. Goodman
B. H. Shepherd } Com.
C. E. Trivett
W. R. Lovelace

30 Rev. W. R. Bradshaw after explaining the need of a Ministers Conference in the Ashe Association: by motion of the ministers present, proceeded to organize such a conference by electing Rev. Geo. M. Reeves Chairman and Rev. P. H. Haire Secretary, said conference to meet at Jefferson Baptist church at a time to be named later.

31 Report of Committee on Riligious Exercises: S. C. Blackburn and Geter Haire for devotional exercises at 8:30 a, m. Rev. E. Blevins to preach at 11 a. m. Adjourned to meet at 8:30 a. m. Prayer by F. B. Hamrick.

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION Sept 8:30 a. m.

32 The Association met according to adjournment, spent one half hour in devotional exercises conducted by S. C. Blackburn and Geter Haire.

33 Read and adopted Wednesdays proceedings.

34 The Association urges that any delegate or minister who can, attend the Baptist State Convention which meets at Charlotte Dec. 7, 1915.

35 On motion J. Fred Blackburn's name was droped as member of State Board as we are allowed only one. Adopted.

36 Report on Resolutions read an adopted.

Resolved that the thanks of this body are due and are hereby tendered to the members of this church and good people of this community for the generous hospitality during the sitting of this session of the Association.

W. R. Bradshaw
T. E. Campbell } Com.
J C. Blevins

37 Report of committee to appoint Historian.

We your committee on Historian submit the following:
Prof. J. Goodman and Dr. S. L. Perkins as Historians
J. C. Blevins
J. F. Blackburn

38 To incorporate in minutes reports of Historian, first, James Eller and followed by J. C. Goodman.

39 Report of Committee on Finance read and adopted.

The Committee Snbmit the following report, received for the different objects to-wit:

State Missions	$157.65	Foreign Missions	$9.
Home Missions	25.40	Orphanage	24 41
Colleges & Schools	2	Minute Funds	48.65
Total,			$267.11

E C. Eller
H. L Goodman } Com.
C. S. Eastridge

40 On motion, the election of W. E. Denney by the S. S. Convention was endorsed and Willie Blackburn was appointed by the Association to co-operate with him in this work. Bro. Denney to work on North side of the County and Bro. Blackburn on the South side. Officers and Delegates of each church are pledged to assist these brethren and to raise money to pay them for their services.

41 Report on Pastoral Support read and adopted.

REPORT ON PASTORAL SUPPORT.

Your committee on Patoral Support submit the following:-That the support of the Pastors is not sufficient to liberate their hands, and enable them to visit their members as they should, to have the proper influence as a pastor, to study the Bible, and their work

We recommend that the Deacons of the churches and active members to urge each member to give freely to the support of their Pastors, that they may be of more service to the church and cour-e in general.

Submitted
J M Ballou.

Discussed by Dr. S. L. Perkins. J. C. Blevins, W. R. Bradshaw, C. M. Cope, T. F. Ray and W. R. Lovelace.

42 Report on Foreign Missions read and adopted.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS,

The past year was one of the most successful years in the history of Foreign Missions After fifty years work, there was reported in 1895 a total enrollment of 3,493 church members in foreign lands, and last year there were 4 532 persons baptized

A wonderful opportunity lies out before us. Millions in heathen countries are waiting to hear the pure gospel. Shall we not give them the gospel of Christ. God is calling us o do our part in meeting our obligations to them. Thus far many of us have failed to do our part in this work. Of the 23,659 churches in the Southern Baptist Convention, there are 10,023 which gave not a penny to Foreign Missions. The Supreme need of the hour and the unequaled opportunity of the times demand that the work must go forward.

North Carolina Baptists are to raise 52 000 for foreign Missions

his year, and in veiw of the great need, we think that much more should be done than we are doing.

THE WHY OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

1st Christ is intensely interested in the work of Foreign Missions. He wants the gospel carried to all parts of the earth. For scriptural proof, read Matt. 24:14, 28:19, 20 Mark 16:15.

2nd The whole world needs the pure gospel. God has graciously provided for all the needs of this sinful world, but the greatest provision is that of the ghospel of Grace. The world needs Jesus and without Him, it perishes eternally. See Rom. 6:23, John 2:16, 17, 18.

Christ has given His church the commission to go and give the uttermost parts of the world this its greatest need, the gospel of Christ.

3rd The gospel benefits everthing it touches. If we would make our lives and churches tell for the greatest benefits to God and humanity we should put forth our best efforts to give to the world the gospel It means to the heathen countries, civilation, education and prosperity as well as true Christianity.

4th Supporting Foreign Mission work means real unselfish giving. While all mission work begins at home, it must go no to every foreign field that has not the gospel Giving to Foreign Missions developes the Christ spirit within us, and leads us out of self to work in behalf of others. See Matt. 13:38.

We earnestly plead with every church in this aosociation to make an offering to Foreign Missions during the next year.

R. H. Goodman.

Discussed by W. R. Bradshaw

FOREIGN MISSION PLEDGES.

	Church		
Beaver Creek	$10.00	Clifton	$ 5.00
Berlin	5.00	Friendsnip	2.00
Bethel	5.00	Jefferson	5.00
Buffalo	5.00	Pleasant Home	5.00
		Total	42.00
	Individual		
Banks, W. J.	5.00	Perkins; Wm.	1.00
Perkins, Dr. S. L.	5.00	Parsons. R. C.	1.00
Barker, Rev. Franklin	1.00	Spencer, J. O.	1.00
Day, Rev. T. J.	1.00	Eller, H. A.	5.00
Barker, Iredell	1.00	Ray, T. F.	5.00
Bowlin, J. C.	1.00	Houck, Felix	1.00
Blevins, Rev. J. C.	2.00	Hodgson, W. E.	2.00
Hobgson, Mrs. W. E.	1.00	Goodman Reece	5.00
Welch, Mrs. Mae	1.00	Johnson, J. E.	1.00
Sturgill, Steve	1.00	Total Individual	$41.00
Collection taken			65
		Total Church	42.00
		Total Church and Individual	$83.65

43 Report of Treasurer, last years work.

TREASURERS REPORT.

RECEIPTS

Received of Finance Committee for S. M.	$ 157.65
" at Association S. M. funds next year	23.16
Total	$180.81
Rec'd of Finance Com. Home Missions	$ 25.40
Total	$ 25.40
Rec'd of Finance Com. Foreign Missions	$ 9.00
	$ 9.00
Rec'd of Finance Com. for Orphanage	$ 24.41
Rec'd of Individual pledges and col. for Orph.	$ 18.93
Total	$ 43.34
Rec'd of Finance Com. for Col and Schools	$ 2.60
Total	$ 2.00
Rec'd of Finance Com., Minute fund	$ 48.65

DISBURSMENTS

Paid E. Tucker for State Missions	$ 4.00
Paid T. M. Hayes " "	10.00
Paid to Walter Durham for Home Missions	25.00
Paid to F. B. Hamrick for Orphanage	43.34
Paid to R. F. Gentry on printing Minutes	15.00
Total	$ 97.34

Received from F. R. Jones, Ex-Clerk and Treasurer.

For Home Missions, Pleasant Hill Church	$ 1.00
" Minute fund " " "	1.00
" State Missions " " "	1.00
" " " by J. C. Blevins	5.00
" " " from Individuals	27.00
Total	$35.00

J. W. Duncan, Treasurer.

44 Adjournd to meet with New River Baptist Church, Weaversford, N C., 12 miles north east of Jefferson on Tuesday after the first Sunday in September 1916.

Prayer by Rev. W. J. Banks

Prof. J. C. Goodman, Moderator.
J. W. Duncan, Clerk.

Obituaries.

Bro. Albert Blevins was born March 21st 1844. Died April 16th 1914 age 70 years and 25 days. Professed faith in Christ at an early age and joined the Baptist Chaphel Church before the war and lived in the same until the Pleasant Home Missionary Baptist church was organized came into it and lived a consistent member until death. Was married to Caroline Pennington and unto them was born 14 children. In his death the family lost a kind husband and affectionate father. Our loss is his eternal gain

J. C. Blevins.

Sister Clemie Barker, daughter of Rev. W. F. Barker and Mecsie Barker was born Jan 3, 1897, Died Sept 23rd. 1914 Age 17 years 8 month 20 days she professed faith in Christ 4 years ago joined Landmark Baptist Church.

Clarisa Pennel Witherspoon was born Oct. 29, 1844, died Aug. 9 1915 age 70 years, 9 months and 19 days.

She was married to Wm. H. Witherspoon June 3, 1866. to this union ten children were born four boys and six girls, nine of whom are still living Sister Witherspoon joined the Baptist Church in Wilkes County at the age of 16 and lived faithful and devoted christian until her death. She was a mother in a broad sense, being helpful to the needy and a neighbor indeed. We give our sincere sympathy to the bereaved husband and surviving children.

Julia Eastridge was born July 4, 1882, died December 20th 1914. Age 32 years 5 months 0 days. Daughter of Rev. W H Glenn Married Robbie Eastridge about 10 years ago Three children survive her Professed faith in Christ joined the Mountain View Baptist Church at the age of 12. In March 1915. she joined Big Laurel Baptist Church by letter. where she lived until her death.

(A Friend.)

Rachel Johnson Porter was born in Wilkes County N. C. about 1816. Married Joseph Porter in the year 1834, joined New Covenant Baptist Church Wilkes Co. N. C. in 1838, joined Forest Home by letter in March 1914 died May 23 1915 age 99 years.

J. H. A

Annie Belle Mullis daughter of John Mullis was born July 9 1907 died November 1st 1914 age 7years 3mo 22 days

Zack Mullis died Sept 5th 1915 age 69 years 10 mo. He lived a member of Bristol Baptist Church 14 years. cause of death Brights disease. (A Friend)

Thomas Johnson was born June the 28th, 1838 and died Sept. 6th 1915 age 77 years 3 mo 8 days. He was married to Martha Jane Duncan the 27 of July 1866. Five children and companion survive him, he professed faith in Christ about 50 years ago. He was a member of Landmark Baptist Church at his death.

W. E. Denny
J. G Fowler

Table Financial,

Churches	Pastors Salary	Building & Repairs	The Poor	Minute Fund	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphanage	Other Objects	Total
Apple Grove	15.80			1.50	5					22 80
Bald Mountain	24.90			1.05		2.	2.	2.		31 95
Baptist Home										
Beaver Creek	64 33			3.	60 64	5,85	6.	20.		159 82
Berlin	62.50		10.	4.	11 84	3.	8.		24	123 34
Bethel	52.25			1.50	50	3.	5.	5.		116 75
Big Flats	50.	50.	2.	2.	5			18.25	5	132 25
Big Laurel	15.			75		1.				1 75
Bristol	9.			60		1.				10 60
Buffalo	50.			2.	10	3.	5.	4.	19 75	93 75
Clifton	75.			1.	26	1.	1.	1.	4	109
Forest Home	2 25			75	3	1.		1.		8
Friendship	18.35			1.50	12 50	1.50	50	5.		39 35
Glendale	37.75	140		1.50	4 60	1.	1.50			186 35
Healing Springs	21.		6.50	1.50	6	2.		4.		41
Jefferson	50.			3.	3 18	10.77	10.78	8.74		86 47
Landmark	25.	100.	55.	2.50	8	1.60		2.50		194 60
Liberty Hill	38,25			2.	3 75	50		1.30	32 18	77 98
Long Branch	25.25	90.		1.						116 25
Meadow View	54.50	6 50	4,50	1,			1,	1.		68 50
Mission Home	34.55			2.	23	2.		25		39 03
Mountain View	14.92			60				50		16 02
New River	13 85			1.50	1 05		12.76		21 85	51 01
Obids	16,48			75	5	2.			8	32 23
Old Fields	50.			2.	28 50	3.	5.		30 60	119 10
Orion	50.	25.	10.	1.25	10	2.		7.25	16 10	121 60
Peak Valley	6.60			50	40					7 50
Pilot Mountain	25.			2.	1 20				1 30	27 50
Pleasant Hill	16.	40.		1.	1	1.			10	69
Pleasant Home	25.			2.	72	2.		3.		104
Windfall										
Zion Hill				1.						
	$943.53	$451.50	88	46.75	328 89	50.22	58.54	84.79	172 78	$2210 00

Table Sunday School

Churches	Supt. & P. O.	Officers and Teacher	Pupils enrolled	Total enrolled	Ch. Members in S S	No of Schools	Months Open	Bap tisms from S S	S S Expenses	Missions	Orphanage	Other Objects	Total
Apple Grove	G M Pennington, Park Va	6	29	35	27	1							
Ball Mountain	B H Duncan, Beaver Creek N C	4	25	29	20	1	12		3				3
Beaver Creek	J C Goodman " " "	4	40	44	24	1	12		4			2	4
Berlin	E C Eller, Berlin "	7	75	82	40	1	12	5	6 50		3 70		12 20
Bethel	W W Phillips, Oval"	5	50	55	30	1	10	2	3 75				3 75
Big Flats	R C Parsons' Raven "	6	40	46	30	1	6		5				5
Big Laurel	G Taylor Hemlock "	4	12	16	10		6						
Bristol	No Report												
Buffalo	David Harless, Treetop "	5	40	45	25		12	2	5 17		7 53		12 70
Clifton	No Report												
*Forest Home	J H Ashley, Warrensvill "	6	40	46					3 35				3 35
*Friendship	W R Weaver, Theta, "	5	32	37		1	6						
*Glendale	J C Bowlin, Glendale, "	4	50	54		1	6		2 50				2 50
*Healing Springs	Cora Ballou, Grassy Creek ,,	7	26	33		1							
Jefferson	S L Perkins, Jefferson, "	7	56	63	24	1	12		10				100
Landmark	W E Denny, Grassy Creek, "	6	104	110	29	1	6		5 61	2 18			7 79
Liberty Hill	J H Wagoner, Nathans Creek "	5	41	46	26	1	12		4 86				4 86
Long Branch	W B Hardy, Edison, "	7	63	70	16	1	3		1 31				1 31
Meadow View	T F Halsey, Grassy Creek "	8	85	93	35	1	5		2 40				2 40
Mission Home	No Repost								5 23				5 23
Mountain View	No Report												
New River	W D Brown, Weaversford, "	6	76	82	10	1	3		3 20				3 20
*Obids	D H Burgess, Obids, "	7	40	47		1	6						
†Old Fields	L D Blackburn, Idlewild "	18	121	134	60	2	12		5 00				5
Orion	E D Coldiron, Orion, "	7	61	68	33	1	12	3	6 10				6 10
Peak Valley	W H Tyre, Ashland, "	7	73	80			12						
*Pilot Mountain	Robert T Seatz, Brokside, "	4	45	49	21		6		5 73				5 73
Pleasant Hill	No Report												
Pleasant Home	M F Blevins, Grassy Creek "	6	95	101	35		8		6 00	13 13		2	21 13
Windfall	No Report												
Zion Hill	No Report												
	Total	146	1323	1465	495	19	173	12	88 71	15 31	11 23	4 00	117 25

*These Churches failed to report the No. church members in this Sunday School.
†This church runs two Sunday Schools for convenience of its members report is for b

Table Statistical,

Churches	Pastors & P. O	Clerks & P. O.	Time of Preaching.	Value Ch. Property	Rec'd by Baptism	Rec'd by Letter	Rec'd by Restoration	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Deaths	Males	Females	Total Membership
Apple Grove	J W Poe, Laurel Bloomery Tenn	Lee Howell, Park Va	2	500	12	2	5		1		28	72	100
Bald Mountain	W E Carlton, Baldwin N C	J W Duncan, Beaver Creek N C	1	800	2	1			3		19	32	51
Baptist Home				300									
Beaver Creek	J Fred Blackburn, Idlewild N C	L H Goodman, Beaver Creek N C	3	400	7			3	1		28	34	62
Berlin	J Fred Blackburn, " "	H A Eller, Berlin N C	2	1000	6	1					29	38	67
Bethel	G W Sebastian. Hayes N C	C W Phillips, Beaver Creek N C	2	400	5		2	2	1	1	27	55	92
Big Flats	J M Arnold; Parker N C	R C Parsons, Raven N C	2	700	9	2			2		18	36	54
Big Laurel	G M Pennington, Park Va	Loyd Kilby, Hemlock N C	4	500	4	4		1		2	23	39	62
Bristol	R M Burkett, Theta N C	A T Sheets, Jefferson N C	3		1	3				1	13	34	47
Buffalo	W H Micheal Trade Tenn	Hilton Campbell, Beaver Creek NC	4	500	11			2			34	50	84
Clifton	Geo M Reeves, Beaver Creek N C	C S Eastidge, Clifton N C	1	500							13	11	24
Forest Home	T J Day, Warrensville N C	S H Ashly, Warrensville N C	3	500		1	1			1	11	16	27
Friendship	W F Barker, Grassy Creek N C	E F Mash. Jefferson N C	4	600				6		2	34	59	93
Glendale	Geo M Reeves Beaver Creek N C	David Winglor, Glendale N C	3		12						18	33	51
Healing Springs	Elihu Tucker, Grassy Creek N C	J N Hudler, Crumpler "	1	500	6	4	1	2	1	1	24	40	64
Jefferson	Geo M Reeves, Beaver Creek N C	R F Gentry, Jefferson "	2	700	29	4					26	45	71
Landmark	J C Blevins, Grassy Creek N C	C J Carter, Grassy Creek "	4	1100	13	1	1	4	8	4	41	83	124
Liberty Hill	Elihu Tucker, Grassy Creek N C	J H Wagoner, Nathans Creek "	3	365	8	5		1			37	43	80
Long Branch	Geo M Pennington, Park Va	J G Welsh, Edison, "	1	250							19	26	45
Meadow View	Oscar Spencer, Grassy Creek N C	W F Keys, Grassy Creek "	1	700	13	7	1		12		19	23	42
Mission Home	W E Carlton, Baldwin N C	J E Johnson, Garren "	3	600	7		1	5	8	1	39	49	88
Mountain View	J W Poe, Luarel Bloomery Tenn	Burrel Phillips, Glenn, "	1	300	2			4			12	18	30
New River	J C Blevins, Grassy Creek N C	W D Brown, Weaversford, "	3	500	6	4		1	1	1	44	64	108
Obids	T M Hayes, Nathans Creek N C	H M Brown, Obids, "	4	600		3		5			25	56	81
Old Fields	J Fred Blackburn, Summit N C	J F Blackburn, Idlewild, "	4	300	16	6		5	4		65	105	170
Orion	T M Hayes, Nathans Creek N C	J F Dillard, Orion, "	1	1000	3	4					16	32	48
Peak Valley	C S Farthing, Sugar Grove N C	W H Tyre, Ashland, "	1	320							12	29	41
Pilot Mountain	J M Arnold, Parker N C	Z T Watson' Brookside, "	4								25	26	51
Pleasant Hill	J F Walton, Lodi Va	A L Stamper, Park, Va	4	800						1	29	39	68
Pleasant Home	J C Blevins, Grassy Creek N C	W R Lovelace Grassy Creek, N C	2	400	24	5	2	8	1		48	72	120
Windfall				400									
Zion Hill	T J Day, Warrensville N C	W H Sheets, Wagoner, "	1								10	21	31
		Totals		15595 00	196	57	14	49	43	15	796	1280	2076

Grassy Creek N. C., Aug., 27 1915.

The Sunday School Convention of the Ashe Association met in its eight Annual Session with Pleasant Home Baptist Church at eleven, A. M. In the absence of appointees Rev. W. F. Barker delivered the Introductory Sermon assisted by Rev. W. J. Banks. text, St. Mark. 8. 34., "Whosoever will come after me let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me." After a short but able message full of spiritural uplift and a strong plea to all who would be christs' deciples to give first place in heart to God and second to our fe lowman the body proceeds to the work of organization.

1st. In the absence of Moderator and Clerk, I. P. Barker was elected Mod. Pro. tem. W. G. Thompson clerk Pro. tem.

2nd. Mod. called for Sunday School reports from the churches eight reports were received and delegates enrolled as follows:

CHURCHES	DELEGATES
Landmark,	Coy Barker, J. C. Denney and James Hurley.
Pleasant Home,	W. R. Lovelace, W. J. Thompson, M. F. Blevins,
Meadowview,	I. P. Barker, T. F. Halsey, C. E. Wadell.
Healing Springs,	William Taylor, Frank Ballou.
Berlin,	C. L. Stike.
Apple Grove,	Jessie Day (reported)
Forest Home,	Rev. T. J. Day "
New River,	W. D. Brown.

3rd. On motion body proceeded to election of officers. On motion Rev. W. F. Barker of Grassy Creek N. C. was elected Moderator, and I. P. Barker, of Grassy Creek, N. C., was elected Clerk.

4th. Moderator extended invitation to visitors to seat with this body.

5th. Rules of order as formerly adopted by this body were read by Clerk.

6th. Appointment of committee by Mod. as follows:- On Religious Exercises, W. R. Lovelace, M. F. Blevins, W. G. Thompson and J. C. Blevins.

Owing to the fact that the report of committee on program as appointed by Mod. at our last session failed from some cause to be gotten out, Mod. appointed Bros. W. R. Lovelace, J. C. Denny, Rev. W. J. Banks, to substitute a program for Saturday and Sunday.

Committee appointed on time and place for next convention T. F. Halsey, William Taylor, Rev. J. C. Blevens.

On program for next Session, W. R. Lovelace, J. C. Denney, W. J. Banks.

On Resolution, Coy Barker, Eugene Duval, Rev. Edgar Denney.

7th. Report of com. on Religious Exercises.

Your com. announce Devotional Exercises to be conducted by Rev. W. J. Banks tomorrow morning at 9 a. m.

W. R. Lovelace
J. C. Blevins } Com.
W. G. Thompson

8th. On motion convention adjourned until tomorrow morning at 9 a. m. Song, "How Firm a foundation"

Prayer by Rev. Edgar Denney.

Benediction by Rev. J. O. Spencer.

SATURDAY MORNING AUG. 28, 9 A. M.

9th. Convention met according to adjourment; spent one-half hour in devotional exercises, conducted by Rev. W. J. Banks.

10th. Convention callad to order by Mod.

11th. Read and adopted Friday's proceedings.

12th. Mod. called for reading of reports of correspondence, Wherefore Clerk read the report of County Supt. of S. S's. Rev. Fred Blackburn.

13th. On motion report of County Supt adopted as read.

14th. Report of com. on Program.

Your com. on program submit the following question for discussion.

1st. Why shouldn't the church be the Sunday School. Speaker, Rev. Edgar Denney.

2nd. What is the purpose of the Sunday School and its importance. Speaker Rev. W. J. Banks

3rd. What to teach and how to teach. Speaker Rev. I. P. Barker.

15th. On request of W. R. Lovelace, rules of order were read before the body.

16th. Took up program in regular order.

17th First item, Why shouldn't the Church be the sunday school, discussed by Rev. Edgar Denney, J, C. Denney, M. F. Blevins and W. G. Thompson. For recreation, "The Last Roll Call" by chair.

Discussion of Items 1 continued by Rev. J. C. Blevins Rev. T. J. Day and C. L. Stike.

18th. Adjourned one hour for refreshments. Song, Praise God from Whom all blessings flow, prayer by Rev. J. C. Denney.

SATURDAY EVENING SESSION 1:30, P. M.

19th. Convention met and was called to order by Moderator.

20th. On motion Rev. Edgar Denney nominated candidate for county Supt. of Sunday Schools.

21st. On motion Bro. Denney was unanimously elected by acclamation.

22. Moderator asked for free will offering to defray expenses of having minutes printed. Amount offered $3.50.

23rd. Clerk read 2nd. item on program for discussion; What is the purpose of the Sunday School and its importance. Discussed by Rev. W. J. Banks.

24th. 3rd item read and discussed by I. P. Barker

25th Re-elected E. C. Eller, J. H. Wagoner and J. L. Goodman Executive Com. of S. S. of the Ashe Asso.

26th. Report of com. on program and speakers for next session. First item. What is the duty of the pastor to the Sunday School? First speaker, Rev. J. C. Blevins. 2nd item, How may we improve the attendance in our S. S.? First speaker, Rev. W. F. Barker. 3rd. item. Should the S. S. be organized outside the church.? First speaker, Rev. J. O. Spencer.

27 Report of Committee on Time. Place and Preacher for next session. Place: Healing Springs Baptist church Crumpler, N. C., 9 miles north east of Jefferson. Time: Friday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1916. Preacher; Rev W. J. Banks, Alternate, Rev. J. C. Blevins.

Rev. J. C. Blevins,
T. F. Halsey, } Com.
William Taylor,

28 Report of Committee on Resolutions wherefore we know that it is our indispensible duty to teach the word of God and to teach God's Law to our children. Be it therefore resolved, 1st That we be more zealous for Christ and the Sunday School than we have ever been before. 2nd that we tender to the members of Pleasant Home church and the community at large our heartfelt thanks for their kind hospitality extended to this Body and their generous hospitality and kindness to all visitors.

W. E. Denney,
E. R. Duvall, } Com.
Coy Barker.

29. Report of Committee on Religious Exercises. Your Commlttee announce Rev. T. J. Day and W. J. Banks to conduct services tomorrow at 11 o'clock a. m.

J. C. Blevins,
W. R. Lovelace, } Com.
W G Thompson. }

30. Adjournded to meet Sunday morning at 9 a. m.

31. Sunday morning convention met. Spent one half hour in devotional exercises, Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Preaching sereices by Revs. Day, Kirk and Banks at 11 a. m.

Committee adjourned to meet with Healing Springs Baptist church on Friday before fourth Sunday in Aug. 1916.

W. F. Barker, Mod.
I. P. Barker, Clerk.

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MINUTE

—OF THE—

30th ANNUAL SESSION

——OF THE——

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD WITH

New River Missionary Baptist Church,

Weaver's Ford, Ashe Co., N. C. Sept. 5th 6th & 7th,

1916

PROF. J. C. GOODMAN, - - Moderator.
J. W. DUNCAN, - - Clerk and Treasurer.

The next Annual Session will be held with Jefferson Missionary Baptist Church, Jefferson, N. C. at the County Seat of Ashe Co. beginning Tuesday after the first Sunday in September 1917. The introductory sermon to be delivered by Rev. G. M. Reeves, alternate, Rev. C. M. Cope.

CONSTITUTION.

Art. 1. This body shall be called the Ashe Association.

2. The object of this association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the gospel in our bounds, and in all the world, and in this work the association will co-operate with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

3. The members of this body shall be all the ordained ministers of the churches of this association, and three delegates from each church, who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment, and giving statistics of the membership, and work of the church.

4 At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a moderator, clerk and treasurer in such way as the association may direct. The two last offices may be held by the same brother.

5. The moderator shall preside at the meetings, preserve order, appoint committees, and perform such other duties as are required of presiding officers.

6. The clerk shall keep correct record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing, and distributing to the churches, the proceedings of the body.

7. The treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent to the association, pay them out as the association may direct, and make a report to each annual session.

8. The Association shall hold an annual meeting at such time and place as may be agreed upon.

9. At each annual meeting there shall be appointed an executive committee of five brethren, who shall look after the destitution in the bounds of this association, and co-operate with the State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention, making to the next session a report of the work done and all the general State Mission work.

10. The Association shall convene annually on Tuesday after the first Sunday in September At each annual session there shall be appointed committees to make reports to the ensueing session on the following subjects to wit: State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Pastoral Support, Ministerial Education, Baptist Orphanage, Biblical Recorder, Temperance, Digest Church Letters, Finance Place and Preacher for next Association.

11. Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

12. The Association will not receive nor retain in permanent fellowship any Church that retains in its fellowship any member who is disorderly in doctrine or practice, or who makes, sells, or in any way deals in ardent spirits as a beverage.

13. This Constitution may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual session.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES

1. We believe in one only true and living God, and that there are three persons in the God head, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, and that these three are one.

2. We believe that the Bible, the Old and New Testament, is the word of God and the only rule of Faith and Practice.

3 We believe in the impotency of man and the sovereignity of God.

4. We believe that salvation is by Grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ to be practiced only by believers in their scriptural order.

6. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator and that only those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and doctrine should take the Lord's Supper.

7. We believe in the final perseverance of the saints in grace to Glory.

8. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgement.

9. We believe that the existance of the righteous and the wicked will both be of eternal duration and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

RULES OF ORDER

1. Every session shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. When the Moderator calls the house to order every member shall at once take his seat.

3. When a member wishes to speak he shall rise and address the Moderator and not proceed till he is recognized.

4. No member shall speak more than twice on any subject except by permission of the body.

5. No member shall leave the body during the ssesion without permission of the Moderator.

6. It will be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the houseor, hold private conversation while the Moderator is speaking

Order of Business.

FIRST DAY, 11 A. M.

1 Introductory Sermon.

2 Adjournment.

FIRST DAY, 1 P. M.

1 Assembling of Association.
2 Roll call of churches.
3 Organization and election of Officers.
4 Reception of New Churches.
5 Invitation to Visitors.
6 Reading Constitution, Abstract of Principles, Rules of Order
7 Appointment of Committees.
8 Report on Home Missions.
9 Report of Historian.
10 Report on Religious Exercises.
11 Announcement of Homes for Messengers and Visitors.

SECOND DAY, 8:30 A. M.

1 Devotional Exercises.
2 Reception of New Churches.
3 Report on S. S. work.
4 Report on Orphanage.
5 Report on State Missions.

SECOND DAY, 1 P. M.

1 Report on Ministerial Education.
2 Report on Biblical Recorder.
3 Report on Temperance.
4 Report of Committee to appoint Executive Committee.
5 Report on Digest of Church Letters.
6 Report on Place and Preacher.
7 Report on Religious Exercises.

THIRD DAY, 8:30 A. M.

1 Devotional Exercises.
2 Report on Resolutions.
3 Report of Historian.
4 Report of Finance Committee.
5 Report on Pastoral Support.
6 Report on Foreign Missions.
7 Adjournment.

Directors of the Ashe Association.

Prof. J. C. Goodman, Moderator, ... Beaver Creek, N. C.
James Eller, Vice-Pres., ... Berlin, N. C.
J. W. Duncan, Clerk and Treasurer, ... Beaver Creek, N. C.

Executive Committee.

C W Phillips, Beaver Creek, N. C.
E C Eller, Berlin, "
Iredell Barker, Grassy Creek, "
Ira T Johnson, Idlewild, "
W E Hodgson, Jefferson, "

State Mission Board.

H A Eller, Berlin, N. C.

Ordained Ministers.

Burket, R M ✓ Theta, N. C.
Banks, W J ✓ Independence, Va.
Blackburn, Coy ✓ Piney Creek, N. C.
Blackburn, J Fred ✓ Beaver Creek, "
Barker, W F ✓ Grassy Creek, "
Carter, I M ✓ Thaxton "
Carlton, W E ✓ Baldwin, "
Campbell, Neal ✓ Thaxton, "
Cope, C M ✓ Jefferson, "
Day, T J ✓ Warrensville, "
Denney, W E ✓ Grassy Creek "
Denney, G L ✓ " " "
Glen, W H ✓ Glen, "
Greer, R G ✓ Fleetwood, "
Hart, J R ✓ Park, Va.
Hayse, T M ✓ Nathans Creek N. C.
Haire, P H ✓ Fleetwood, "
Neaves, J M ✓ Weavers Ford, "
Porter, W M ✓ Warrensville, "
Pennington, Geo M ✓ Park, Va.
Reeves, Geo M ✓ Beaver Creek, N. C.
Stanley J F ✓ Hemlock, "
Spencer, J O ✓ Grassy Creek, "
Shoaf, R L ✓ Seven Mile Ford, Va.
Trivett, J S ✓ Fleetwood, N.C.
Tucker, Elihu ✓ Grassy Creek, "
Wilcox, Joseph ✓ Benge, "
Woodruff, W A ✓ Fleetwood "

Licentiates.

Blackburn, M D Crumpler N. C.
Blevins, Voy Grassy Creek, "
Sheets, David, Glen, "

Messengers Present at the Association

Apple Grove—J R Hurley, H A Miller, Harvey Clark.
Baptist Home—By Letter only.
Bald Mountain—J W Duncan.
Beaver Creek—W W Garvy, Mills Goodman, L H Goodman.
Berlin—J T King, E C Eller, A S Eller.
Bethel—By Letter only.
Big Flats—By Letter only.
Big Laurel—Not represented by either Letter or Del.
Bristol— " " " " " " "
Buffalo—Dr S L Perkins, W E Hodgson, Arthur Harless.
Clifton—W T Miller.
Forest Home—Thomas Johnson, W A Johnson, Vance Johnson.
Friendship—R M Burket.
Glendale—Not represented by Del. or Letter.
Healing Springs—N F Ballou, M C Blackburn.
Jefferson—S A Campbell, R F Gentry, F W Testerman.
Landmark—J C Denney, J C Jones, A P Barker.
Liberty Hill—W M Sanders, J W Hudler, H L Goodman.
Long Branch—Monroe Welch.
Meadow View—H H Gaultney, Irvin Reedy, W F Keys.
Mission Home—J E Johnson.
Mountain View—D L Sheets, J J S Denney.
New River—J J Garvy, J A Parsons, C D Brown.
Obids—J C Parsons, Lee Harless, Grant Harless.
Old Fields—J E Cheek, J R Johnson, S E Phillips.
Orion—E D Coldiron
Peak Valley—By Letter only.
Pleasant Hill—L A Wyatt, Arthur Hart, Claudie Miller.
Pleasant Home—W F Blevins, W R Lovelace, W G Thompson.
Pilot Mountain—Felix Houck.
Tuckerdale—H C Tucker.
Valley Home—W R Miller.
West Jefferson—G M Reeves, Dr J C Gambill.
Zion Hill—By Letter only.

PROCEEDINGS

Weaver's Ford Ashe County, N. C.
Tuesday, September 5th, 1916.

The Ashe Association met in its 30th annual Session with New River Baptist Church at 11 a. m., and the proceedings were as follows:

1. The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Rev. W. J. Banks, Text, Romans 12:1st, "I beseech you therefore brethren by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice holy acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service"

2. Adjourned one hour.

TUESDAY EVENING SESSION, SEPT. 5, 1 P. M.

3. The association met according to appointment and was called to order by the Moderator, Prof. J. C. Goodman.

Prayer by Rev. W. R. Bradshaw.

4. The roll of churches was called by the Moderator; 29 letters were handed in from respective churcher.

5. On motion, officers' election proceeded. On motion Rev. W. R. Bradshaw cast the vote of the Association for Prof. J. C. Goodman of Beaver Creek, N. C., Moderator, and J. W. Duncan of Beaver Creek, N. C., Clerk and Treasurer.

6. The Moderator called for new churches, whereupon Valley Home, and West Jefferson presented letters and were received into the body. Tuckerdale ch. handed in a letter and a committee was appointed by the Moderator as follows: Revs. C. M. Cope, W.J. Banks and P. H. Haire to investigate conditions existing between Tuckerdale and Windfall churches, relative to the disolution of Windfall church.

7. Moderator invited visitors to seats in the Association, whereupon Rev. W. R. Bradshaw representing State Mission Board, Rev. F. L. Cox, Thos. Warren, Rev. David Blackburn, and W. A. Hash, of New River Association, and C. L. Upchurch of Alleghany Association, were seated with the body.

8. The Constitution, Abstract of Principles, and Rules of Order, were read by the Clerk.

9. The pastor and delegates of New River church were appointedlcommittee on religious exercises They reported Rev. P. H. Hare to preach in the grove, and for devotional exercises for Wednesday morning session at 8: 30 a. m., Rev. W. E. Denney.

Bro. Haire delivered a sermon in the grove from 1st Cor. 1: 21.

STANDING COMMITTEE.

Foreign Missions—E D Harless.
Home Missions—Dr. J C Gambill.
State Missions—H A Eller.
Biblical Recorder—Rev. C M Cope.
Pastoral Support—J F Dillard.
Ministerial Education – Rev G M Reeves.
Baptist Orphanage—Mills Goodman.
Temperance—N F Ballou.
Digest Church Letters—M M Blevans, R F Gentry.
Finance—E C Eller, Hayden Goodman, F W Testerman.
Obituaries—Dr. S L Perkins.
Sunday Schools—W G Thompson.

10. Committees were appointed by the Moderator to fill vacencies and absentees as follows:

Home Missions, Rev. W. F. Barker.
Foreign Missions, Dr. S. L Perkens, J. Fred Blackburn.
Baptist Orphanage, Rev. W. R. Bradshaw.
Biblical Recorder, J. E. Johnson, J. R. Johnson.
Finance, Hayden Goodman, A. S. Eller, F. W. Testerman,
Obituaries, S. L. Perkins, W. E. Hodgson.
Place and Preacher for next Association, J. W. Duncan, S. A. Campbell, Monroe Welch, Mills Goodman, Felix Houck
Resolutions, R. M. Burket, E. Tucker, W. E. Hodgson.
Historian, Lee Goodman, Edgar Denney, Oscar Spencer.
To Nominate an Executive Committee, S. A. Campbell, J R Johnson, N. F. Ballou
Sunday Schools, W. E. Denney, J. M. Neaves, Iredell Barker.

REPORT on ORPHANAGE.

11. On Nov. 11th 1885, the first child was received at Thomasville Baptist Orphanage. The last one enrolled this year runs the number up to 1702. Present in 14 families, 500. Fifty applicants a month, and most of them turned away for lack of room.

It costs about one hundred and ten dollars a year to suport one child, not including building and repairs. Children are received between the ages of two and twelve, and dismissed according to preparation rather than age. The expense bill averages about a hundred and fifty dollars a day.

The present indebtedness of the Orphanage is about $25.000. This money borrowed from Banks or individuals, you will readily see, at 6% interest amounts to $1500. a year, and if the institution was out of debt, this interest we are now paying would about support 15 children per year.

Recommendations: 1. We recommend that every wage earning Baptist in this association make a Thanksgiving offering of one day's wages.

2. That every S. S. give one Sunday's collection a month to the Orphanage.

3. That clubs of Charity and Children be taken by every S. S.

4. We recommend that you pray for these 500 children and those who have them and this work in charge. Committee.

The report on Temperance, and the above report. were read, and discussed by Rev's. W. R. Bradshaw, P. H. Haire, and adopted.

CHURCH PLEDGES FOR ORPHANAGE.

Apple Grove	$2.50	Carried forward	$94.50
Bald mountain	5.	Long Branch	1.
Beaver Creek	26.	Meadow View	11.
Berlin	5.	Mission Home	5.
Big Flats	5.	Mountain View	2.
Buffalo	15.	New River	5.
Clifton	3.	Old Fields	15.
Forest Home	2.	Orion	2.
Friendship	1.	Pilot Mountain	5.
Healing Springs	5.	Pleasant Hill	1.
Jefferson	15.	Pleasant Home	15.
Landmark	10.	Valley Home	5.
		Total,	$161.50

Individual Pledges.

D L Sheets	$1.00	Mrs W E Hodgson	$1.pd
W E Denney	1	F W Testerman	1.
A P Barker	1	Rev J M Neaves	2.
Wm Taylor	.50pd	Mrs J Fred Blackburn	1.
Lifford Styke	1.	W G Thompson	2.
S L Perkins	5.	Lee Goodman	1.
W E Hodgson	5.	W M Sanders	1.
Iredell Barker	1.	S A Campbell pd	.50
Mrs W F Keys	1.	J J S Denney pd	1.
W R Miller	2.	C M Cope	1.50
A S Eller	1.	J J S Denney	1.
W F Barker	1.	M M Blevins	1.
E Tucker	1. pd	Mrs M M Blevins	.50
Harvey Clark	.50pd	Miss Nellie Blevins	1.
J E Johnson	1.	Total individual pledges,	46.00
N F Ballou	1. pd	Public Collection,	6.00
C C Barker	1.		$52.00
J W Tucker	.50pd		

J C Denney	1. pd	Total individual pledges	$ 46.00
J W Tucker	1.	Total church pledges.	161.50
Mrs W P Barker	1. pd	Public collection, pd	6.00
J Fred Blackburn	2.	Total,	$213.50

12 Announcement of homes for Messengers and Visitors by Arthur Hudler. Adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 8: 30 a. m.

Prayer by Rev. C. M. Cope.

J. W. Duncan, Clk. Prof. J. C. Goodman, Mod.

Wednesday Morning Session, Sept. 6, 1916.

13 The Association met according to adjournment. One half hour was spent in devotional exercises, conducted by Rev. W. E Denney.

14 The Association was called to order by the Moderator.

15 Read and adopted Tuesday's proceedings.

16 Report of Historian read and adopted. Discussed by S. L. Perkins.

REPORT of HISTORIAN.

(Continued from Minutes of 1915, pages 9 and 10.)

At the 1897 Session of the Ashe and Alleghany Association, held with Forest Home church, the committee appointed at the 1896 session to consider the necessity and advisability of dividing the Ashe and Alleghany Association recommended that a division with the county line was necessary and would be prudent.

Following this recommendation, letters of dismission were granted to all the Alleghany Churches when merged into another Association of same faith and order.

A committee was appointed to name Time and Place for organizing the Churches of Alleghany and any other churches into an Association.

Since then, the associatoin of the churches of Ashe County has been known as the Ashe Baptist Association.

The meeting places and officers of the Ashe Baptist Association for the decade ending 1906 were as follows:

1897. Forest Home Church,
J. H. Doughton, Mod. H. A. Eller, Clerk and Treasurer.

1898. Friendship Church,
James Eller, Mod. G. L. Porter, Clerk and Treasurer.

1899. New River Church,
James Eller, Mod. G. L. Porter, Clerk and Treasurer.

1900 Buffalo Church,
James Eller, Mod. G. L. Porter, Clerk and Treasurer.

1901 Mountain View Church,
E. Tucker Moderator, H. A. Eller Clerk and Treasurer.
1902 Bristol Church,
E. Tucker Moderator, H. A. Eller Clerk and Treasurer.
1903 Corinth Church,
E. Tucker Moderator, J. F. Fletcher Clerk and Treasurer.
1904 Baptist Home Church,
E. Tucker Moderator, J. F. Fletcher Clerk and Treasurer.
1905 Old Fields Church,
E. Tucker Moderator, J. F. Fletcher Clerk and Treasurer.
1906 Big Laurel Church,
E. Tucker Moderator, M. M. Blevins Clerk and Treasurer.

The following list of names represents the brethren who served as Missionaries during this period:

Revs. T. M. Duncan, E. Blevins, W. F. Barker, J. F. Fletcher R. S. Shoaf.

These brethren travelled thousands of miles, preached hundreds of sermons, witnessed scenes of conversions, and organized several churches and Sunday schools.

Their labors greatly strengthened the Baptist cause in Ashe: meanwhile the State Board of Missions contributed liberally to their support

Much greater good would have been accomplished, however, if the churches would have given more liberally to the support of the mission work. For the most part, the different objects of the Southern Baptist Convention were considered at each session and small financial aid rendered in some cases.

Respectfully submitted. J. C. Goodman.

17 Report on Windfall church, and Tuckerdale church read and adopted.

WINDFALL and TUCKERDALE CHURCHES.

We your Committee appointed to investigate the contention between Windfall Church and the new Church at Tuckerdale beg to submit the following report:

We find that the Windfall church was legally disolved, and Tuckerdale church legally organized, and is eligible to membership in this body. W. J. Banks, P. H. Haire, Com.

Move to receive Tuckerdale church into this body, carried.

BIBLICAL RECORDER.

18. The Recorder is one of the best papers we know of. It is clean and religiously inspiring. Through its pages we are able to get all the news about our denominational work, such as the associational working of the State and the Missionary Societies, and many val-

uable articles which ought to inspire every Baptist to a greater and nobler work. We recommend the Recorder to those who have never taken it, as one of the best and cleanest papers to put in the home for the family to read.

Let us as Baptists see that our young boys and girls have a copy to read every week instead of trashy novels and literature.

J. R. Johnson, J. E. Johnson, Com.

Discussed by Rev. C. M. Cope and adopted.

DIGEST of CHURCH LETTERS.

19. Your Committe, after gathering all information obtainable at this time submit the following report:

Statistics

Received by Baptism	125	
" " Letter	34	
" " Restoration	12	
Total "		171
Dismissed by Letter	69	
" " Exclusion	57	
" " Death	5	
Total Loss		131
Net Gain		40
Males	847	
Females	1337	
Total Membership		2,184

Financial

Paid Pastors	$ 990.11
Building and Repairing	2717.25
Incidentals	30.00
Sunday School Expenses	134.50
The Poor	14.00
Minute Fund	54.92
Associational Missions	13.25
State Missions	152.56
Home Missions	48.11
Foreign Missions	44.17
Sunday School Missions	2.00
Orphanage	139.28
Ministerial Relief	36.00
Colleges and Schools	3.00
Other Objects	12.86
Total,	$4392.01

A gain of expenditures over last year of 49.11%.

Respectfully submitted,

M. M. Blevins. R. F. Gentry, Com.

Report adopted.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION.

20. Since a report of the Woman's Mission Work was given in the minute, there has been seemingly very little progress made. Only the Beaver Creek Society and Sunbeam Band have reported regularly.

Last year their contributions to State, Home and Foreign Missions amounted to a little more than $15. This year they have given almost $13. While they cannot give vast amounts, or do anything wonderful, perhaps the humble service will be acceptable to the Father: and the offerings, though small, help to lead some benighted soul to their Saviour.

Sisters in Christ, you who are not yet organized or engaged in Society work, we long to have you unite with us. The fields are white unto harvest. In your community are women who would like to forget their home cares and come once a month, for a quiet hour of worship and study with you; under your leadership, the girls of your neighborhood, the sweet, sympathetic, wide-awake girls, would enjoy giving some of their time and talents to the best and bigest work in the world; in your care are boys, the men of tomorrow, would they not be earnest enlistors? Around your door play little children who would eagerly learn of Him, who, when on earth, so tenderly drew them to Him and said: "of such is the Kingdom of heaven."

May the lives of such capable consecrated women as Deborah, who judged Isreal: Mary, the messenger of the resurrection: Ann Hasseltine Judson, the Foreign Missionary and Miss Fannie Heck, who so graciously guided the Baptist Sisterhood of our Southland, convince us women of the Ashe Association, that woman, throughout the ages has aided in the King's busines and that we still, as followers of the Man of Galilee, have a share in spreading His gospel.

O! women of the mountains, with all my heart, I beg you. Jesus calls you, be ye steadfast in Prayer and Ministry.

May the God who guided the women of long ago e'en down until now still direct us lest we rob Him of more than tithes and offerings; and as we have opportunity, let us do good unto all men.

Biddie Ray, Sec.

Discussed by Rev's. C. M. Cope, J. Fred Blackburn, and adopted.

TEMPERANCE.

St. Paul reasoned before Felix of Righteousness, Temperance and a Judgment to come. In fact all true preachers of the Gospel have contended earnestly for Temperance or self control in the Christian

life. On the other hand they have preached vigorously against Intemperance.

And so let the Ashe Association both preach and teach Temperance and at the same time preach, teach and fight against Intemperance.

Report on Pastoral Support read and adopted

Discussed by C. M. Cope, Dr. S. L. Perkins and P. H. Haire.

PASTORAL SUPPORT.

21. According to the letters from the various churches of the Ashe Association, our pastors are poorly paid for their services, therefore your committee recommend and urge that every Deacon of the various churches awake to their scriptural duty and discharge the same by soliciting and collecting funds for the support of their pastors, more than they have ever done before. Let each deacon do all he can to get each and every member of his church to contribute something for the support of their pastor. We further urge that each active member of all our churches aid in every possible way in securing means for the support of the pastors of the different churches, for in so doing we only discharge our Scriptural duty and fulfill our Christian obligation.

Submitted. J. C. Denney.

22. Reports on Foreign Missions, Home Missions, and State Missions read, discussed by W. R. Bradshaw, and adopted.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

The Southern Baptist Convention Board is sustaining 386 missionaries, occupying stations in seven foreign countries. Twenty three of these missionaries are from N. C. One of our latest gifts is Miss Pearl Johnson of Pittsboro, Chatham county, who left for China, Oct. 4, 1914. The missionaries are running 339 schools with 8833 pupils and 8 Hospitals and treated 56,949 patients.

This report is made from the Annual of N. C. Baptist State Convention, held at Charlotte 1915.

S. L. Perkins, J. Fred Blackburn, Com.

HOME MISSION BOARD.

The Home Mission Board now in its seventy first year, receives with pride the many wonderful strides it has made for the promotion of Christ and His cause.

During these many years the Home Mission Board has had many struggles, but from its infancy it has been fostered by a faith and zeal that knew no fear, believing that the idea of this great mission work was prompt in the hearts of our pioneer brethren by the God of heaven and has been fostered and cared for by Him until it has now grown to be one of the greatest forces for good in the world. We recom-

mend that our Baptist brethren and all Christian people, bow to God and with grateful hearts render unto Him honor and praise for this great Institution for good. Many thousands of the lost have been led to Christ, and many enlisted in service for the Master.

During the last fifteen years, Southern Baptists have increased in members 61%. Our increase in baptisms for the past 15 years has been 105%. Our Mission contributions for 1915 were 353% over 1911, and our total increase to all objects 333%. For the past 16 yrs. our baptisms through the Home Board have increased 646%. As to our Finances, we have a deficit of $72308. Receipts from the states have been $370,590 against $387,508 last year. Yet with matters as they are, the outlook as reported by the Board is good. There is yet ground for hope and cheer. Our hearts plea and prayer to God is that more attention among our brethren will be given the Home Mission board, and that a more spirited and generous giving be created among our people than ever before.

Submitted by J. P. Barker.

STATE MISSIONS.

By State Missions is meant, that department of our work that seeks to give Baptist preaching to every neighborhood in North Carolina, and to aid every weak and struggling Baptist church in the State to become strong and permanent forces for the evangelization of the people surrounding them.

Perhaps no greater leverage has been used by our Baptist Fathers in North Carolina hitherto in laying the broad and substantial foundation of our denomenational strength and our spiritual growth as well than the work done by State Missions. We recognize the timely aid extended to this Association by theState Board,and in gratitude and performance of our duty we should not only continue our aid and support to this work, but make advancement in the number and amount of contributions in money and time, and in planning and praying for the success of this work.

Submitted. H. A. Eller.

Church Pledges for State, Home, and Foreign Missions.

	State M.	Home M.	Foreign M.
Apple Grove	$2.50		
Bald Mountain		$2.	
Beaver Creek	25.	6.	10.
Berlin	10.	3.	5.
Buffalo	4.	5.	3.
Forest Home	3.		
Healing Springs	3.	2.	

	State M.	Home M.	Foreign M.
Jefferson	10.	5.	5.
Landmark	2.	1.	
Long Branch	1.	1.	
Mission Home	5.	2.	
Mountain View	2.		
New River		3.	
Obids		1.	
Old Fields		2.	
Orion		2.	
Pilot Mountain	1.		1.
Pleasant Home	5.	2.	5.
West Jefferson	10.		
Total,	83.50	37.00	29.00

Individual Pledges for State, Home, and Foreign Missions.

	St M	H M.	For M		S M	H M	Fo.rM.
Dr. S. L. Perkins	5.00		2.00	M. M. Blevins	1.00	1.00	1.00
Geo. M. Reeves	5.00			Mrs. M. M. Blevins.	.50	.50	.50
H. C. Tucker	5.00			Miss Nellie "	1.00		
W. E. Hodgson			2.00	Total,	17.50	1.50	5.50

Adjourned 1 hour for refreshments. Prayer by Rev G. M. Reeves

WEDNESDAY EVENING SESSION

23 The Association met according to adjournment.

24 Report of Education read by Rev. Geo. M. Reeves. Discussed by Rev. Geo. M. Reeves, H. C. Tucker, Dr. S. L. Perkins, Rev. W. R. Bradshaw, and Rev. S. F. Cox and adopted.

REPORT on EDUCATION.

Education is one of the very important subjects of our denominational work and deserves our serious consideration. So much is involved in the final outcome of our Educational system that we should call into play our very best thoughts and efforts to make it what, from a Christian viewpoint it should be.

There is much in the modern system of higher education that tends to lead away from true Christianity and spirituality instead of to real, genuine Christian religion.

By the help of the Great Teacher we must have and adhere to a well organized system of education that will enable our Baptist people to successfully guard against the inroads that are being made in the minds and hearts of many young men and women by a secular and Christless system of education which injects doubt into their minds the final outcome of which is often an open and avowed scepticism or infidelity.

Out of what the world has regarded as its greatest universities has

come a school of higher critics and false teachers that have proven a curse to orthodox Christianity. Out of our orthodox Baptist schools has come most of our great leaders in every department of our denominational work that has brought to pass great things in the establishment, extension and development of the Kingdom of God.

A well educated and trained mind without an experimental knowledge of Christianity and developed spirituality, presents an element of great danger to the best interests of the Kingdom of the Lord. And to the opposite a well educated and trained mind that knows God experimentally and is cultivated spiritually, makes a great foe to the Kingdom of Satan.

All education that does not lead to God and the Bible is destructive in its final results. God is the center of all true education and around Him our entire educational fabric should be woven.

An unorthodox Baptist school or college would be a great menace to the spiritual life and power of the church. It would turn out a harmful, instead of a helpful body of ministers. Our ministerial students must be well educated and trained to enable them to measure up in efficiency to the opportunities and responsibilities that God has given them. All of our young people must be educated for effective work in the Kingdom. This training must come through our denominational schools.

We recommend that our people patronize Wake Forest, Meredith and our secondary schools. The Oak Hill school near us, on the Va. side, is a splendid school. Also the Baptist have in process of erection, a splendid brick building at West Jefferson in this association and if our people will give the right kind of support to this proposition, a great Baptist school can be built there. We insist that the Ashe association shall rise up to its opportunity here and give its moral and financial support to the West Jefferson school and save it to the Baptist cause of Ashe county.

It is our business to foster education in general, and our own schools in particular.

The educational work of our denomination is now consolidated under one board which is responsible for looking after the financial support of Wake Forest Meredith, our secondary schools and ministerial students, both at Wake Forest and the seminary. Dr. R. T. Vann of Raleigh is corresponding secretary of the work. It is asked that the churches contribute two fifths as much for this work as for State Missions. We want to insist thatour association shall arouse itself and become thoroughly alive to its educational interests.

Geo. M. Reeves.

25. By a rising vote, about 19 stood to accept the property as their

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	PASTORS	P. O.	CLERKS	P. O.	Time of Preaching	Value of Ch. Property	Received by Baptism	By Letter	By Restoration	Lost by Letter	Excluded	Died	No. of Males	No. Females	Total Membership
Apple Grove	J. W. Poe	Laurel Bloomery, Tenn	J. R. Hurley	Park, Va.	2	600	1	1	0	5	1	0	35	71	106
Ball Mountain	I C Miller	Stony Fork, N C	J W Duncan	Beaver Creek NC	1	1000	3	2					21	35	56
Baptist Home			L J Sturgill	Parker "	3	200							17	18	35
Beaver Creek	Geo M Reeves	Beaver Creek "	L H Goodman	Beaver Creek	2-4	400	1			2	1		26	34	60
Berlin	J F Blackburn	W. Jefferson "	H A Eller	Berlin N C	2	1000		2		2			31	38	69
Bethel	G W Sebastian	Hayes "	C W Phillips	Beaver Creek	2	400	24	1		1		1	54	55	109
Big Flats	J M Arnold	Parker "	R C Parsons	Todd N C	2	600				5			17	33	50
Big Laurel			Lloyd Kilby	Hemlock "	4	500							23	39	62
Bristol			A T Sheets	Jefferson "	3								13	34	47
Buffalo	W H Michael	Trade Tenn	D H Campbell	Beaver Creek	4	500	3			1			35	51	86
Clifton	P H Haire	Fleetwood N C	A E Shoemake	Clifton N C	1	500	1	7					17	15	32
Forest Home	T J Day	Warrensville "	J H Ashley	Warrensville	3	500	2			3			13	15	28
Friendship	W F Barker	Grassy Creek "	E F Marsh	Jefferson N C	4	600				10			28	55	83
Glendale	W E Denney	Grassy Creek "	J D Wingler	Glendale N C	3	1000	1						18	34	52
Healing Springs	Elihu Tucker	" "	Arthur Blevins	Grassy Creek	1	500	1			6		1	20	37	57
Jefferson	C M Cope	Theta NC	F W Testerman	Jefferson N C	2	700	17	8			1	1	40	41	81
Landmark	Coy Blackburn	Piney Creek "	R C Barker	Grassy Creek	4	1100	22		5	1	8		57	85	142
Liberty Hill	Elihu Tucker	Grassy Creek "	J H Wagner	Nathans Creek	3	385		1		1	1		36	43	79
Long Branch	Geo Penington	Park Va	J G Welch	Edison N C	3	310		1		3	27		8	11	19
Meadow View	Oscar Spencer	Grassy Creek NC	W F Keys	Grassy Creek	1	700					5		16	21	37
Mission Home	W E Carlton	Baldwin "	J E Johnson	Garren NC	3	600	5						42	51	93
Mountain View	J A Davis	Grayson "	J W Nickles	Dandy "	1	300	1	1	1	1			10	30	40
New River	W F Barker	Grassy Creek "	W A Hudler	Weavers Ford	3	500	13	1		2		1	31	56	87

Obids	R M Burkett	✓	Theta	N C	H E Brown		Obids	N C	4	1000				4			22	45	67
Old Fields	J F Blackburn	✓	W. Jefferson	"	J F Blackburn		Idlewild	"	4	300				7	6		59	103	162
Orion	T M Hayes	✓	Nathans Creek		J F Dillard		Orion	"	1	1000							16	31	47
Peak Valley	W H Michael	✓	Trade	Tenn	W H Tyra		Asheland	"	1	330				1	2	1	12	29	41
Pilot Mountain	J M Arnold	✓	Parker	N C	Z T Watson		McGuire	"	3	300	14		5	3			27	40	67
Pleasant Hill	J F Walton	✓	Lodi	Va	L Stamper		Park	Va	4	800				2	4	1	25	36	61
" Home	J O Spencer	✓	Grassy Creek	NC	W R Lovelace		Grassy Creek		2	400	9	3		10	3		44	75	119
Tuckerdale	E Tucker	✓	"	"	J A Wagoner		Tuckerdale		2		8	4	8				8	12	20
Valley Home	R M Burkett	✓	Theta		D R Jones		Toliver	N C	2								10	15	25
W. Jefferson	Geo M Reeves	✓	W. Jefferson	"	Mrs J C Gambill		W. Jefferson	'	2-4	1500	7	6	1				6	8	14
Zion Hill	T J Day	✓	Warrensville	"	W H Sheets		Wagoner	"	4	400							10	21	31
								Totals,		18425	133	38	20	70	59	6	847	1337	2184

school, 1 against— Dr. S. L. Perkins.

26. It being reported that Big Flats church had received members disorderly, the Moderator appointed J. Fred Blackburn, W. J. Banks and James King to investigate conditions existing at Big Flats church in regard to receiving members disorderly.

The Committee reported as follows:

We your committee, referring to section 12 in constitution, find that said church had received J. M. Arnold disorderly, and that said church rescind the act.

James King, J. Fred Blackburn, W. J. Banks, Com.

Report read and adopted. The Association ordered the Clerk to notify Big Flats church of the action taken.

27. Report of committee, for next association on

PLACE and PREACHER.

We your committee on Place and Preacher for our next association of the Ashe Baptist association, respectfully submit the following as our report; Place, Jefferson Missionary Baptist church, Jefferson, N. C., at the county seat of Ashe Co. Preacher to deliver the annual sermon, Rev. Geo. M. Reeves, alternate, Rev. C. M. Cope, at 11, a. m. Tuesday after the first Sunday in September, 1917.

28. Report on Oak Hill school read. On motion the association appointed E. C. Eller Trustee from the Ashe association. Also to accept the resolutions as they appear and read, was received by a rising vote.

RESOLUTIONS OAK HILL ACADEMY.

1. That this association annually elect a member of the Board of Trustees of Oak Hill Academy, to meet with the Board at least once during the year, and to look after the interests of the school in this territory.

2. That the churches of this association make an offering at least once a year to Oak Hill academy, and that this fund be used in assisting needy and deserving boys and girls from this association.

Adopted.

29. Report on Religious exercises: For Devotional exercises, Thursday morning, Rev, E. Tucker.

Adjourned to meet at 8 a. m. Thursday. Prayer by Rev. W.A. Hash.

Thursday Morning Session, Sept. 7, 1916.

30. The association met according to adjournment. Spent one half hour in Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. E. Tucker.

31. The association was called to order by the Moderator.

32. Read and adopted Tuesday's proceedings.

33. Report of committee to nominate an Executive Committee, read and adopted.

NOMINATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

We your committee appointed to nominate the Executive Committee beg to present the following brethren: Ira Johnson, C. W. Phillips, E. C. Eller, Iredell Barker, and W. E. Hodgson. Respt'ly.

N. F. Ballou, J. R. Johnston, S. A. Campbell, Com.

34. Report of committee to nominate Historian read and adopted

HISTORIAN.

We submit the following as Historians: Prof. J. C. Goodman, Dr. S. L. Perkins. H. L. Goodman, W. E. Denney, J. O. Spencer, Com.

35. Report on Resolutions read and adopted.

Spoken to by Prof. J. C. Goodman, Dr. S. L. Perkins, E. Tucker.

RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, that the thanks of this body are due, and are hereby tendered to the members of New River church, and good people of their community, for the generous hospitality during the sitting of this, the 30th annual session of the Ashe Association. Submitted.

R. M. Burket, E. Tucker, W. E. Hodgson, Com.

36 and 36a. Report of Committee on Finance read and adopted.

Report Executive Committee read and adopted. An order to incorporate these reports into one, carried.

REPORT EXECUTIVE & FINANCE COMMITTEES

Rev. W. J. Banks reports:		Rev. Geo. M. Reeves reports:	
Conversions	157	Meetings held,	6mo.
Additions to,	about 100.	Conversions,	50
Churches organized,	1.	Churches organized,	5
Serving Jefferson church	6 mo	Churches supplied 2 each mo.	5
Assisted at other churches.		Baptisms,	15
		Additions to churches	about 30

We have a good and favorable report from our Pastors that had charge of churches the past year, and with the exception of a small trouble in some of the churches, we consider that the work has gone forward. We earnestly urge our people to more firmly unite themselves that all friction be settled, and pray for more of the love of God in our churches, and in our hearts.

The following is reported for Missions: Foreign Missions $23.70, State Missions $167.60, Home Missions $26.00. And for Orphanage $47.73, Minutes $54.42. Respectfully submitted.

I. P. Barker, A. C. Eller, Committee.

37. Motion to appoint a committee on Order of Business for next association adopted. Moderator named committee as follows: J. W.

Finance Table	Pastor's Salary	Building & Repairs	Incidentals	S. S. Expenses	The Poor	Minute Fund	Associa'nl Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	S. S. Missions	Orphanage	Ministerial Relief	Col.&Sch	Other Objects	TOTAL
Apple Grove	27.50	8.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.50	0.00	5.00	5.00	0.00	0.00				8.86	56.61
Ball Mountain	38.00	50.00		3.60		2.00		1.06	1.80	1.80		5.00				103.26
Baptist Home						.50										.50
Beaver Creek	100.00			4.00		2.18		22.25	7.80	13.95		25.05		3.		178.23
Berlin	68.83		5.00	6.91	10.00	3.25	10.25		3.50	5.50		5.				118.54
Bethel	62.50	7.00		5.00		2.00						7.50				84.00
Big Flats	26.92			6.00		2.				1.00		4.				39.92
Big Laurel																
Bristol																
Buffalo	65.00	10.00	14.00	14.18		2.25		10.00	5.00	5.00		5.				130.43
Clifton	37.66		8.00			2.		10.	2.15	3.65		2.46				65.92
Forest Home	20.50	4.00				2.		3.	1.			2.				32.50
Friendship	29.05					1.						1.50				31.55
Glendale	26.	700.		2.50		1.		2.	1.			1.50				734.00
HealingSprings	14.25			3.64		1.65		2.75	2.			5.				29.29
Jefferson	27.67			20.68		3.		11.00		5.27		11.				78.64
Landmark	15.	40.		5.14		2.50		5.	2.			6.				75.64
Liberty Hill	19.85	20.		2.75		1.75						2.38				46.73
Long Branch	16.75	60.		5.		1.		1.	1.			5.				89.75
Meadow View	10.90					2.						8.50				21.45
Mission Home	34.50	15.50		4.60		1.50		6.	2.	1.		5.				70.10
Mountain View	16.05					1.45	2.00								4.00	23.50
New River	23.25			3.57		1.30			3.			1.				32.12

Obids	20.		3.00	3.		.75			1.						27.75
Old Fields	66.10			4.		2.64		30.00	4.70			17.24			124.68
Orion	75.			3.50		2.		10.			2.00				92.50
Peak Valley	9.10			5.60		.50									15.20
Pilot Mountain	55.76	3.				2.		5.				2.65			365.41
Pleasant Hill	16.62					1.25									17.87
" Home	28.	2.		12.		2.50			2.	5.		16.50	36.00		104.00
Valley Home	10.60			5.65		1 60									17.85
W. Jefferson	5.	1500		5.68		1.		28.50	1.16	2.					1543.34
Tuckerdale	18.75			7.50	4.	2.35									32.60
Zion Hill	5.00					.50	1.00		2.						8.50
	990.61	2717 25	30.00	134.50	14.00	54.92	13.25	152.56	48.11	44.17	2.00	139.28	36.00	3, 12.86	4392.36

Duncan, M. M. Blevins, and Rev. Geo. M. Reeves.

38. Resolution of welcome to the Alleghany Association read and adopted. RESOLUTION of WELCOME.

Whereas, we hear that the Alleghany Association is contemplating a reunion with the Ashe Association, therefore be it resolved, That it is the sense of this body that it would be a wise move on their part, and that we, the Ashe Association, would give them a Christian welcome and pledge them our hearty co-operation in trying to upbuild the Master's cause within their territory.

39. Motion by Geo. M. Reeves that a committee be appointed and delegated by the Association for the disposition of the West Jefferson School. Motion carried, and the following were named as committee: J. C. Goodman, H. C. Tucker, E. C. Eller, Jas. A. Garvey, J. R. Johnson, T. F. Ray.

40 Report on Sunday Schools read and adopted. Discussed by Dr. S. L. Perkins, Rev. P. H. Haire, W. R. Lovelace, Iredell Barker, M. M. Blevins, and J. C. Goodman.

The Association, by motion, placed the next Sunday School Convention at Old Fields Baptist church, Idlewild, N. C,, on Friday before the fifth Sunday in April, 1917.

[No S S Report appears in the MS, except the Minutes of the S S Convention, which I take to be the report above referred to, and which is appended.— Printer.)

41 Rev Geo. M. Reeves was appointed to preach at stand at 11, a. m. Text: *O thou man of God, there is death in the pot.* 2d Kings 4—40.

42 Report of visitors to sister associations. Bro. P. H. Haire reported visiting Three Forks Association.

43 Adjourned to meet with Jefferson Missionary Baptist church, Jefferson, N. C., Tuesday after the first Sunday in September 1917. Prayer by Rev. P. H. Haire.

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TREASURER'S REPORT.

Beginning at the close of last year's Minute.

Paid to Geo. M. Reeves,	For State Mission Work,	$ 17.70
" T. J. Day,	" "	11.80
" J. C. Blevins,	" "	17.70
" Oscar Spencer,	" "	5.90
" E. Tucker,	" "	7.80
" W. F. Barker,	" "	5.90
" T. M. Hayse,	" "	1.80
" R. M. Burket.	" "	11.80
" J. F. Walton,	" "	5.90
" C. S. Farthing,	" "	5.90
" W. E. Carlton,	" "	11.80
" J. W. Poe,	" "	11.80
" J. M. Arnold,	" "	5.90
" G. M. Pennington,	" "	11.80
" W. H. Michael,	" "	5.90
" N. H. Davis,	" "	5.90
Total,		$145.30

Received from Peak Valley Church Minute Fund,	.50
Total,	.50
" " State Missions,	.40
Total,	.40
" From Bald Mountain Church, State Missions,	1.06
Total,	1.06
" " Home Missions,	1.80
Total,	1.80
" " Foreign Missions,	1.80
Grand Total,	$5.56

Paid to Walters Durham, State Missions,	$ 2.06
" " For Colleges & Schools,	2.00
" " Home Missions,	1.80
" " Foreign Missions,	1.80
Paid to R. F. Gentry, Balance for printing Minutes,	35.00
" Felix Testerman, clk. Jefferson Ch. for Pastor aid,	35.00
" Walters Durham, Foreign Missions,	9.00
Retained for Clerical Services and Postage,	20.00
Total,	$106.66

REPORT of TREASURER,

Beginning at the close of the Association, 1916:

Received of Finance Committee at Association: (Continued on page 28)

SUNDAY SCHOOL TABLE

CHURCH	SUPT.	P. O.	SECRETARY	P. O.	No. Schools	Officers and Teachers	Pupils	Total Enrollment	Church Members in S. S.	Months Open	Baptisms from School	School Expenses	Missions	Orphanage	Other Objects	Total Contributions
Ball Mountain	B. H. Duncan	Beaver Creek N C	J. W. Duncan	Beaver Creek	1	5	51	56	22	12	0	3.60	4.66	5.00	0	13.26
Beaver Creek	J C Goodman	Beaver Creek "			1	5	40	45		12		4.00		25.00		29.00
Berlin	Claud Rhodes	Warrensville "	Gertrude Eller	Berlin NC	1	9	47	56	40	12		6.90	5.00			11.90
Bethel	T H Brown	Ovall "	J P Goodman	Beaver Creek "	1	5	47	52	24	12		5.00		7.00		12.00
Big Flats	R C Parsons	Todd "	C E Trivett	Fleetwood "	1	6	40	46	40	12		6.00		4.00	1	11.00
Buffalo	A D Harless	Tree Top "	J F Hodgson	Beaver Creek "	1	6	40	46		12		5.87		8.31		14.18
Glendale	J C Bolen	Glendale "	W T Perkins	Glendale "	1	5	45	50	25	5		2.50				2.50
Healing Springs	W D Blackburn	Crumpler "	W H McNeill	Crumpler "	2	6	74	80	30	5		3.64				3.64
Jefferson	R F Gentry	Jefferson "	Jennie Dickson	Jefferson "	1	6	111	117	22	12		20.68	1.00	2.48		24.16
Landmark	W E Denney	Grassy Creek "	Leora Brooks	Grassy Creek "	1	7	199	206	60	8		5.14		5.25		10.39
Liberty Hill	I C Hudler	Nathans Creek "	C A Hudler	Nathrns Creek	1	5	34	39	21	6		2.75				2.75
Long Branch	J G Welch	Edison "	Mattie Welch	Edison "	1	6	75	81	40	10		5.00		5.00		10.00
Meadow View	W F Keys	Grassy Creek "	E Waddell	Grassy Creek "	1	3	31	34	27	6						
Mission Home	J L Bowen	Fleetwood "	J E Johnson	Garren "	1	6	30	36	15	12	3	4.60				4.60
Mountain View	V L Sheets	Glen "	Miss C Greer	Glen "	1	5	20	25	10	6						
New River	S C Blackburn	Piney Creek "	W A Hudler	Weavers Ford	1	6	62	68	15			3.51		1.50		5.01
Obids	D H Burgess	Obids "			1	5	53	58								
Old Fields	J F Blackburn	Idlewild "	A H Church	Idlewild "	2	12	60	72	50	12						
Orion	E D Coldiron	Orion "	W M Dillard	Orion "	1	4	20	24	15	9		3.50				3.50
Pilot Mountain	Calvin Tucker	McGuire "	Leon. Phillips	McGuire "	1	5	40	45	22	6		3.25				3.25
Pleasant Home	M F Blevins	Grassy Creek "	Lena Deboard	Grassy Creek "	1	5	39	43	20	12		12.00		16.50		28.50
Valley Home	W R Miller	Toliver "	W T A Jones	Toliver "	1	9	102	111	25	9		5.65				5.65
W. Jefferson	Dr J C Gambill	W. Jefferson "	Mrs M C Parsons	W. Jefferson "	1	6	55	61		5		5.68				5.68

Tuckerdale	Mrs F B Tucker	Tuckerdale	"	F B Tucker	Tuckerdale	"1	3	48	51	15	11	7.50							7.50
Peak Valley	D B Clark	Asheland	"	W H Tyree	Asheland	"1	7	80	87	25	12	5.60							5.60
Apple Grove	No School																		
Baptist Home	No School																		
Big Laurel	Not represented by Delegate or Letter.																		
Clifton	No School																		
Forest Home	No School																		
Friendship	No School																		
Zion Hill	No School																		
Pleasant Hill	No School																		
							27	147	1443	1589	563	3	122.37	10.66	45.29	1.00	219.08		

Received for State Missions,	$167.60
Total,	167.60
" Home Missions,	26.00
Total,	26.00
" Foreign Missions,	23.77
Total,	23.77
" From Dr. S. L. Perkins, for Foreign Mission pledge,	5.00
" " C. W. Phillips State Missions individual pledge,	10.00
" " Balance church pledge,	7.00
Total	17.00
" Orphanage,	48.73
" " Individual Pledges paid in at Association,	8.00
" from G. M. Reeves collection at stand for Orphanage,	6.00
Total for Orphanage,	$62.73
" from Finance Committee Minute Fund,	54.42
" from Peak Valley Church, Minute Fund,	.50
Total,	$54.92

DISBURSEMENTS

Paid to Walters Durham for Home Missions,	$ 26.00
" " Foreign Missions	28.77
" Rev. W. J. Banks for State Mission Work,	75.00
" F. B. Hamrick Treas. Thomasville Orph. for Orph.	62.73
" F. W. Testerman, Clerk Jefferson church	40.00
" Geo. M. Reeves State Mission work	50.00
Total,	90.00
" Will H. McGuire for Printing Minutes.	32.00
Reserved for Clerical Services and Postage,	20.00

J. W. Duncan, Treasurer.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION.

We have one Woman's Missionary Society, at Beaver Creek church with 9 members; Mrs. J. O. Goodman, Beaver Creek, President.

They Report: For State Missions $2.25, Home $2.05, Foreign $2.55, Training School $2.10. Total $9.00.

Sunbeams: one at Beaver Creek, Miss Clyde Goodman President, Beaver Creek, N. C. They report 12 members. Contributions: for State Missions $1.00, Home .75, Foreign $1.40, Training School .90. Total $4.05.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

The Sunday School Convention of the Ashe Baptist Association met in its 9th annual session with Healing Springs Baptist church Crumpler N. C., Aug. 25, 1916. Introductory sermon delivered by Rev. W. J. Banks. Text, 1st Thessalonians 2nd chap. 4th verse. After which adjourned for one hour intermission.

2. Moderator called the convention to order at one o'clock p. m.

3. Roll call of churches byClerk. Only 5 churches responded with reports, towit: Landmark, New River, Healing Springs, Liberty Hill Pleasant Home.

4. On motion body reelected Rev. W. F. Barker Mod. and I. P. Barker Clerk.

5. Moderator extended invitation to visitors.

6. Rules of Order read before body by clerk.

7. Appointment of Committees by Moderator as follows:

a On Religious Exercises, M. D Blackburn, M. H. McMillian, James Huddler, W. R. Lovlace, James Hurley.

b On Program for next Session, S. L. Perkins, Rev. E. Tucker, and Rev. J. O. Spencer.

c On Time, Place and Preacher, for next Session, Revs. J. O. Spencer, E. Tucker, and S. L. Perkins.

d On Resolutions, Revs. W. E. Denney, C. L. Stikes, and I. P. Barker.

8. Report on Religious Exercises your Com. announce: Devotional exercises tomorrow morning at 9 a. m. by Rev. J. O. Spencer, followed with a sermon by Rev. W. E. Denney, text, Heb. 12:1.

M. D. Blackburn, M. H. McMillan, Jas. Hudler, Jas. Hurley, W. R. Lovelace, Com.

9. On motion body adjourned until tomorrow morning at 9 a. m. Benediction by Rev. W. F. Barker.

Saturday Morning, Aug. 26.

10. Convention met at 9 a. m. according to adjournment.

11. Convention called to order by the Moderator.

12. Read and adopted Friday's proceedings.

13. Report of County Supt., W. E. Denney, adopted.

14. Clerk read first item on program for discussion. What is the

duty of the Pastor to the Sunday-school? Discussed by Rev. W. E. Denney, J. O. Spencer, W. F. Barker, S. C. Blackburn, C. L. Stike W. R. Lovlace, I. P. Barker, and J. C. Denney. Question adopted as discussed.

15. 2nd Question on program, How may we improve the attendance in our Sunday-school? Discussed by Rev. W. F. Barker, W. E. Denney, and others.

16. 3rd Item on program. Should the S. S. be organized outside of the church? Discussed by Rev. J. O. Spencer and others.

17. On motion, the Body decided to return the S. S. Convention and its work back to the Association, for that Body to consider whether we continue the work of said convention as a seperate body from the Association.

18. Report of Com. on Resolutions.

We your Committee on Resolutions make the following report:

1st. Wherefore, seeing the great need of better Sunday-schools, be it therefore Resolved, That we give more of our time to the cause of Sunday-schools than ever before.

2nd And that we teach Regeneration, and Spiritual Religion to our children.

3rd. That We tender our heartfelt thanks to the members of Heal ing Springs church and the community at large, for their kind hospitality extended to us during the sitting of this body.

Respectfully submitted.

W. E. Denney,
I. P. Barker } Com.
C. L. Stike,

19 On motion Convention adjourned until Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

Sunday Morning, Aug. 17, 1916.

20 Convention met according to adjournment.

21 Devotional exercises by Rev. C. L. Stike. Sermon by Rev. W. F. Barker. Benediction by Rev W. F. Barker.

W. F. Barker, Mod.
I. P. Barker, Clerk.

Your Committee after carefully reviewing the record of the last session of the S. S. Convention, and looking over the field, and observing the poor interest manifested by the churches of our association toward the convention, and after earnestly and prayerfully considering these sad conditions, believe that it is useless to try to carry on this work unless a greater awakening and a greater interest is manifested among our churches. And judging the future by the

past we have no vision of these good things, therefore we recommend that this association dissolve the Sunday-school Convention and retain the S. S. work under the care of this association, from whence it first went out.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. Denney, I. P. Barker, J. M. Neaves, Com.

Obituaries

Mrs J. J. McClure departed this life the first Sabbath in June, 1916 She professed faith in Jesus Christ at an early age, and joined the church and lived a devoted Christian all her life.

She was a member of Bristol church at the time of her death.

Aged over 80 years.

R. M. Burkett, Pastor.

Ruby Gentry Goodman was born Dec. 15th 1895; died Feb. 1st 1916, age, 20 years, 1 month and 21 days. She was the daughter of James J. Gentry and Alice Gentry, both members of Mission Home Missionary Baptist church. She was married to Mills Goodman Feb. 20th 1915, and to this union was born one son, Kyle Edison Goodman. She joined Mission Home Missionary Baptist Church at the age of 14 years, and lived a consistent member until her death.

Her death was the more sad because she was taken when her little boy, Kyle Edison, was only eight days old.

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CONSTITUTION.

Art. 1. This body shall be called the Ashe Association.

2. The object of this association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the gospel in our bounds, and in all the world, and in this work the association will co-operate with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

3. The members of this body shall be all the ordained ministers of the churches of this association, and three delegates from each church, who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment, and giving statistics of the membership, and work of the church.

4. At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a moderator, clerk and treasurer in such way as the association may direct. The two last offices may be held by the same brother.

5. The moderator shall preside at the meetings, preserve order, appoint committees, and perform such other duties as are required of presiding officers

6. The clerk shall keep correct record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing, and distributing to the churches, the proceedings of the body.

7. The treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent to the association, pay them out as the association may d rect, and make a report to each annual session

8. The Association shall hold an annual meeting at such time and place as may be agreed upon.

9. At each annual meeting there shall be appointed an executive committee of five brethren, who shall look after the destitution in the bounds of this association, and co-operate with the State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention, making to the next session a report of the work done and all the general State Mission work.

10. The Associatian shall convene annually on Tuesday after the first Sunday in September. At each annual session there shall be appointed committees to make reports to the ensueing session on the following subjects to-wit: State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Pastoral Support, Ministerial Education, Baptist Orphanage, Biblical Recorder, Temperance, Digest Church Letters, Finance, Place and Preacher for next Association.

11. Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

12. The Association will not receive nor retain in permanent fellowship any Church that retains in its fellowship any member who is disorderly in doctrine or practice, or who makes, sells, or in any way deals in ardent spirits as a beverage.

13. This Constitution may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual session.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES

1. We believe in one only true and living God, and that there are three persons in the God head, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, and that these three are one.

2 We believe that the Bible, the New and Old Testament, is the word of God and the only rule of Faith and Practice.

3. We believe in the impotency of man and the sovereignity of God.

4. We believe that salvation is by Grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ to be practiced only by believers in their scriptural order.

6. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator and that only those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and doctrine should take the Lord's Supper.

7. We believe in the final perseverance of the saints in grace to Glory.

8. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment.

9 We believe that the existance of the righteous and the wicked will both be of eternal duration and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

RULES OF ORDER

1. Every session shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. When the Moderator calls the house to order every member shall at once take his seat.

3. When a member wishes to speak he shall rise and address the Moderator and not proceed till he is recognized.

4. No member shall speak more than twice on any subject except by permission of the body.

5. No member shall leave the body during the session without permission of the Moderator.

6. It will be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house, or hold private conversation while the Moderator is speaking.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

FIRST DAY, 11 A. M.

1. Introductory Sermon.
2. Adjournment.

FIRST DAY, 1 P M.

1 Assembling of Association
2 Electing of Officers and Organization.
3 Roll call of Churches.
4 Reception of new Churches.
5 Invitation to Visitors
6 Reading Abstract of Principles and Constitution.
7 Appointment of Committees.
8 Report on Biblical Recorder.
9 Report Sunday School.
10 Report on Religious Exercises.
11 Announcement for Homes for Messengers and Visitors.

SECOND DAY, 8:30 A. M.

1 Devotional Exercises.
2 Report on Historian.
3 Report on Digest of Church Letters.
4 Report on Pastorial Support.
5 Report on Temperance.

SECOND DAY, 1 P. M.

1 Report on Education.
2 Report on Religious Exercises.

THIRD DAY, 8:30 A. M.

1 Devotional Exercises.
2 Report on Place and Preacher.
3 Report on Orphanage.
4 Report of Committee on Finance.
5 Report on Resolutions.
6 Report on naming Executive Committee.
7 Report on State, Home and Foreign Mission.
8 Adjournment.

Directors of the Ashe Association.

Prof. J. C. Goodman, Moderator,---------- Beaver Creek, N. C.
James Eller, Vice-President,----------Berlin, N. C.
J. W. Duncan, Clerk and Treasurer,--------Beaver Creek, N. C.

Executive Committee

C W Phillips,---------- Beaver Creek, N. C
E C Eller,---------- Berlin, "
Iredell Barker,---------- Grassy Creek, "
Ira T. Johnson,---------- Idlewild, "
W E Hodgson,---------- Jefferson, "

State Mission Board.

H A Eller,---------- Berlin, "

Ordained Ministers.

Arnold, J M---------- Riverside, N C.
Burkeett, R M---------- Theta, "
Banks, W J---------- Independence, Va.
Blackburn, Coy---------- Piney Creek, N. C.
Barker, W F---------- Grassy Creek, "
Carlton, W E---------- Baldwin, "
Carter, I M---------- Thaxton, "
Calloway, Jas N---------- Jefferson, "
Campbell, Neal---------- Thaxton, "
Cope, C M---------- Reno, "
Davis, John A---------- Grayson, "
Day, T J---------- Warrensville, "
Denney, W E---------- Grassy Creek, "
Denney, G L---------- Grassy Creek, "
Glenn, W H---------- Glen, "
Hayes, T M---------- Nathans Creek, "
Haire, P H---------- Fleetwood, "
Miller, Ed O---------- Glendale Springs, "
Neaves, J M---------- Weaversford, "
Porter, W M---------- Warrensville, "
Pennington, G M---------- Park, Va.
Spencer, J C---------- Grassy Creek, N. C.
Sheets, David---------- Glen, "
Shoaf, R L---------- Seven Mile Ford, Va.
Styke, L C---------- Berlin, N. C.
Trivett, J S---------- Fleetwood, "
Tucker, Elihu---------- Grassy Creek, "
Wilcox, Joseph---------- Glenn, "
Woodruff, W A---------- Fleetwood, "

Licentiates.

Blackburn, M D---------- Crumpler, N. C.
Blevins, Voy---------- Grassy Creek, "

None:—This list is complete as taken from Church Letters.—Clerk.

Messengers Present at the Association.

Apple Grove—H A Miller Harvy Clark
Bald Mountain—J T Campbell, Walter Houck.
Baptist Home—Not represented by letter or messenger.
Beaver Creek—J L Goodman, R H Goodman, W H Garvey.
Berlin—J T King E C Eller, L G Ashley
Bethel—J P Goodman, T H Brown, C W Phillips.
Big Flats—R C Parsons, Rev P H Haire.
Big Laurel—E Kilby, Sollie Davis, L F Shumake.
Bristol—L F McClure, J W Day, Geo Houser
Buffalo—H A Campbell, Wiley Hodgson, Joe Hodgson.
Clifton—Monroe Parsons, A E Shumake, F H Farmer.
Forest Home—W A Johnson, J H Ashley.
Friendship—W W Burkett, J E Witherspoon, E F Marsh.
Glendale J C Bowlen, R A Johnson, E D Miller
Healing Springs—N F Ballou, J S Baker, P A Seagle.
Jefferson—C A Dickson, G C Green, W F Burkett
Landmark—J C Jones, J C Denney, Avery Blackburn.
Liberty Hill—J P Shepherd, I C Hudler, J H Wagoner
Long Branch—Joseph Poe, W A Ham, Jas Welch.
Meadow View—I P Barker C C Barker.
Mission Home—J E Johnson, Jas W Goodman
Mountain View—J J S Denney, Ambrose Coldiron.
New River—G G Davis W A Hudler.
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Pilot Mountain—C Tucker, John Phillips, Joe C Phillips.
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Tuckerdale—J A Wagoner, F B Tucker.
Valley Home—W R Miller, John Toliver
West Jefferson—Dr J C Gambill.
Zion Hill—W H Sheets.

Standing Committees.

Foreign Missions—P H Haire.
Home Missions—Jamas King.
State Mission—J A Wagoner.
Biblical Recorder—J L Goodman.
Pastoral Support—Iredell Barker
Ministerial Education—E C Eller.
Orphanage—W E Hodgson, Donald Blevins.
Temperance—J C Denney
Digest Church Letters—M M Blevins, R F Gentry.
Obituaries—S L Perkins
Sunday Schools—J D Baker.

PROCEEDINGS

Jefferson, Ashe County, N. C ,
Tuesday, Sept. 4th, 1917.

The Ashe Association met in its 31st. Annual Session, with Jefferson Baptist Church at 11 A. M. and the proceedings were as follows:

1st. The Introductory Sermon by Rev Geo. M Reeves. Text:—Jeremiah 36 chapter, 23 verse, "And he cut it with a pen knife.

2nd Adjournment one hour.

FIRST DAY, 11 A. M.

3rd Assembling of association.

4th. Reading and adoptions of Committee on Schedule of work for Tuesday evening session.

5th. Election of officers, resulting in Prof. J. C. Goodman, Moderator; and J. W. Duncan Clerk and Treasurer; being unanimously re-elected.

6th. Roll call of Churches.

7th. Call for new Churches and visiting Brethren whereupon Rev. Asa Brown and Rev. Geo. Trivett, of Three Fork Association were seated into the body. Rev. G. M Reeves, from Tennessee Association was seated. Rev. T. F Roberts, of Lebanon Association Rev. Walter N. Johnson, representing State Missions, was seated in the body

8th. Reading of Constitution, Abstract of Principles and Rules of Order by Clerk.

9th. Roll call of Standing Committee. Appointment of Absentees.

Home Mission, Rev C. M Cope

Finance, J. R Johnston, J E Johnston, E. C. Eller.

Sunday School, M F Blevins, J R Johnston, J E Johnston

10th Place and Preacher for next Association.

11th. Resolutions, Delegates of Friendship church and Rev. Geo M. Reeves

12th. Historian, Delegates of Buffalo church

Committee to name Executive Committee for next year: viz: R. H Goodman, T. M. Hayes, J. C. Denney, J. W. Duncan, Frank Tucker.

13th. Delegates of Jefferson church and Pastor on Religious Exercises

Report on Biblical Recorder.

Read by Rev. C. M. Cope.

14th. Much has already been written in our minutes as reports on the Recorder and still unheaded by the majority of our Baptist people of the mountains. I find one of the great needs of our people is to take and to read the Biblical Recorder. It would do so much toward enlisting our people in the Master's work and also to keep our people informed as to the work of the denomination in the State. Brethren, will you take the Recorder and read it?

Discussed by J. L Goodman, Rev's. P. H Haire, C M. Cope, G. M. Reeves, Prof. J. C. Goodman R. H Goodman W. H. Garvey, M. M. Blevins, adopted. (C M Cope acting moderator)

Report on Sunday Schools.

Read by Rev. J. M. Neaves.

15th. Your committee finds from the reports of the churches handed in to this time as follows:

No. Schools	24
" Officers and Teachers	124
" Pupils	1,419
" Enrolled	1,559
" Church members enrolled	459
" Baptisms from schools	36
Sunday School expenses	$113 55
" " Missions	$1 05
Orphanage	70.73
Total expenditures	$185.33

Your committee recommended that it is the Christian duty of every church in the association to organize and maintain a Sunday School as the Sunday School is a telling force for Christ and Christian progress.

Respectfully submitted,

J. O. Spencer, M F Blevins, J. N Neaves, L. W. Blevins.

Discussed by Rev. C. M. Cope, J. E. Johnson and adopted.

16th. By request of the delegates and pastor of Glendale Springs church, the association by motion delegated the moderator to appoint a presbytery to ordain Bro. Ed. O. Miller to be a minister of the Gospel. The presbytery appointed by the

moderator was Rev's. G. M. Reeves, Asa Brown, C. M. Cope, P. H. Haire, E. Tucker, Geo. Trivett, Coy Blackburn

17th The committee on Religious Exercises report that devotional exercises for Wednesday morning at 8:30 a. m. be conducted by C L. Styke

18th. Announcement of homes for messengers and visitors by Rev. C. M. Cope. Adjourned to meet Wednesday morning at 8:30 a. m.

Prayer by Rev T. M Hayse.

Prof. J C. Goodman, Moderator. J. W. Duncan, Clerk.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION

September 5th. 1917.

19th. The association met according to adjournment. One half hour was spent in devotional exercises conducted by Rev. C L. Styke.

20th The presbytery appointed by the association to ordain Bro. Ed O. Miller met at 9 a. m. and ordained him as a minister of the Gospel. by motion C. M. Cope was to prepare credentials for Bro. Miller

Report of Historian.

21st Report of Historian read and adopted, discussed by Rev's C. M. Cope, Asa Brown, T M. Hayse, E Tucker, P H. Haire, Bro's. J. C. Denney, J C. Goodman J. T. King, N F. Ballou, M F. Blevins, C E. Blevins

The following list indicates the meeting places and officers of the Ashe Missionary Baptist Association from 1907 to 1916 inclusive:—

1907—Apple Grove Church,
Elihu Tucker, Mod. M M Blevins, Clerk and Treasurer.

1908—Beaver Creek Church,
Elihu Tucker, Mod. M M Blevins, Clerk and Treasurer.

1909—Mission Home Church,
J C Goodman, Mod. M M Blevins, Clerk and Treasurer

1910—Landmark Church,
J C Goodman, Mod. M M Blevins, Clerk and Treasurer.

1911—Healing Springs Church,
J C Goodman, Mod. M M Blevins, Clerk and Treasurer.

1912—Peak Valley Church,
J C Goodman, Mod. M M Blevins, Clerk and Treasurer

1913—Obids Church,
J C Goodman, Mod. M M Blevins, Clerk and Treasurer.

1914—Clifton Church,
J C Goodman, Mod. F R Jones, Clerk and Treasurer.
1915—Friendship Church,
J C Goodman, Mod J W Duncan Clerk and Treasurer.
1916—New River Church,
J C Goodman, Mod. J W Duncan, Clerk and Treasurer.

Liberty Hill Baptist church, was received into the Ashe Baptist Association at the 1907 session.
Berlin Baptist Church at the 1908 session
Calvary Baptist Church at the 1909 session.
Bald Mountain Baptist Church at the 1910 sesssion.
Orion Baptist Church at the 1912 session.
Glendale Baptist Church at the 1914 session.
Clifton Baptist Church after disbanding and then re-organized at the 1915 session
Valley Home, West Jefferson and Tuckerdale Baptist Churches at the 1916 session.

Increased interest in Missions and Orphanage has been manifested by the Ashe Baptist Association during the period of ten years,—reaching high tide at the 1913 session held with Obids Baptist Church when $443.50 was pledged for State Missions. The association at the 1916 session held with New River Baptist Church when $216.50 was pledged for the Orphanage, as against $31.00 at the 1907 session held with Apple Grove Baptist Church.

Following is a list of the faithful ministers who served the Ashe Baptist Association as Missionaries during the period of ten years:—Elihu Tucker, Geo. M. Reeves, C. M. Cope, W. J. Banks, G M Pennington: J. Fred Blackburn Sunday School missionary for the associational year 1914-15.

The State Board of Missions very materially aided the cause of missions among us by supplementing our annual contributions in the sum of $300.00 for the years 1913-14-15, smaller amounts were spent by the State Board for several years previous to these dates.

In the fall of 1915 and spring of 1916 our Baptist people were asked to donate the sum of $1100 00 for the erection of a Missionary Baptist Church at the new town of West Jefferson, which they did. We were also asked to donate very liberally for the establishment of a Baptist School at the same place, about $3,000.00 being paid by the Baptist of Ashe for this cause.

In consequence of these unusual financial calls upon our people there has been a stand still to some extent upon the subject of missions.

It is earnestly hoped that our people will rally again to the great cause of missions which is the foundation upon which we must build if we live and grow.

At the 1912 session held with Peak Valley Baptist church a Woman's Missionary Union was organized under the direction of Miss Blanche Barrus, of Raleigh. To the present time, our sisters generally have not shown sufficient interest in the work to make a success of it.

An unsuccessful attempt was made in the fall of 1913 and spring of 1914 to group the churches of the Ashe Baptist Association into fields. It is expedient for us that another attempt in this direction be made at an early date.

J. C. Goodman, and Dr. S. L. Perkins, Com.

22nd. The committee on religious exercises announced Rev. Geo. Trivett to preach in the grove at 11 a. m. Text, John 5:11.

Report on Digest of Church Letters.

Read by M. M. Blevins and adopted.

23rd. From the reports of the various churches your committee submits the following report, to-wit:

STATISTICS.

Value of church property	$1.919 00
By Baptism	112
By letter	22
By Restoration	9
Total gain	143
Loss by Letter	50
Loss by Exclusion	18
Loss by Death	17
Total Loss	85
Net gain	58
Membership, males	864
Membership, females	1.348
Total membership	2.212

FINANCIAL.

Pastors salary	$1232.96
Building and repairs	494.75

Incidentals	100 65
Sunday School expenses	94 67
The poor	39 85
Minute fund	52 02
State missions	96 39
Home "	57 55
Foreign "	53 41
S. S. "	11 56
Orphanage	194 59
Colleges and Schools	14.00
Other objects	178 72
Total	$2662 62

Respectfull submitted,
M. M. Blevins,
J. W. Duncan, } Committee.
R. F Gentry,

24th. Resolved that the Fiscal year for the work of the churches of the Ashe Association close on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in July of each year and that each church immediately thereafter is to forward to the committee on digest of church letters a full report of their years work

Report on Pastorial Support.

Read by J. F. Dillard.

25th After looking over the minute of our last Association and see so many of our churches have paid their pastors such a small amount your committee recommends that the officers and all the members of the churches of the Ashe Association pay their pastors more this year, so that they will be able to serve our churches better

Submitted J. F. Dillard.

Discussed by J. P. Shepherd, J. F. Dillard, W. A. Hudler, R H. Goodman, J C. Denney, Rev. F. L. Cox, M. F. Blevins and adopted.

Report on Temperance.

Read by N. F. Ballou.

26th. Intemperance has been one of, if not the greatest evils of this nation, but by the work and prayers of Christians intemperance, we trust will soon be a thing of the past in this Land of the Free and Home of the Brave.

Gone are the day that flourished a saloon;
Coming the time—and coming very soon,
When we'll be free from whiskey, rum and rye,
The States and counties one by one are voting dry.

We call to men and women everywhere,
Come now and help, together we will share
Patience and toil the faith, the hope, the prayer.
That by the help of God, we'll win this warfare.

A great many states are now dry and quite a number of counties in wet states have gone dry The Word teaches us to 'Be temperate in all things." Let every Christian continue to pray that ere long, Temperance will reign supreme in this great country of ours.

Submitted,
N. F. Ballou.

Discussed by Rev. F. L. Cox, J. L. Goodman, Rev. C. M. Cope and adopted

27th. Adjourned one hour for refreshments.

WEDNESDAY EVENING SESSION.

28th. The association met according to adjournment. Prayer by Rev. P. H. Haire.

Report on Education.

Read by Rev. Geo. M. Reeves.

29th. All education that does not lead to God and the Bible is destructive in its final results God is the center of all true education and around Him our entire education fabric should be woven.

An unorthodox school or college would be a great menace to the spiritual life and power of the church, It would turn out a harmful, instead of a helpful body of ministers. Our ministerial students must be well educated and trained to enable them to measure up in efficiency to the opportunities and responsibilities that God has given them. All of our young people must be educated for effective work in the Kingdom. This training must come through our denominational schools.

We recommend that our people patronize Wake Forest, Meredith and our secondary schools. The Oak Hill school near us, on the Virginia side, is a splendid school and should be patronized by our Baptist people and others.

Geo. M Reeves, Com.

Discussed by Rev. F. L. Cox and adopted.

Individual Pledges.

Pledges to help pay indebtedness of Oak Hill School.

Mrs G C Green	$2 50	L C Phipps	$1 00
J S Baker	50	Mrs Mack Goodman	1
A H Church	1	Mrs W H Garvey	1
T E Campbell	1	J C Denney	1
F B Tucker	1	J T King	2 50
T M Hayse	2 50	W J Bare	2 50
J E Johnson	2 50	J W Goodman	1
Mrs Dora Goodman	1	P H Haire	1
E Tucker	1	W E Carlton	2 50
J F Dillard	1	J L Goodman	1
J P Shepherd	50	H A Campbell	1 25
James Eller	5	Geo M Reeves	5
H A Eller	5	Walter Phillips	5
W H Garvey	5	J W Duncan	5
J D Baker	5	W E Hodgson	3
Mrs Clint Blevins	1	Mrs M M Blevins	1
J T Campbell	1	N F Ballou	25
J C Bowlin	25	J M Parsons	1
J G Welch	1	H Baker	1
Walter King	2 50	J E Witherspoon	2 50
W F Burkett	1	E C Eller	5
J R Johnston	5		

Church Pledges.

Berlin	$10 00	Bethel	$10 00
Orion	10	Jefferson	5
Bald Mountain	5	Friendship	5
New River	5	Buffalo (for last year)	10

Total Individual and Church pledges $150 75

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Benediction by Rev. F. L Cox.

J. C. Goodman. Mod.
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September, 6th, 1917.

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30th. Minute of Tuesday and Wednesday session read by Clerk and adopted.

Committee on time schedule, J W. Duncan, C. M. Cope and M. M. Blevins retained to make a report next year.

Report on Place and Preacher for Next Association.

We your committee on place and preacher for next association submit Bald Mountain Missionary Baptist Church. 5 miles west of West Jefferson. Preacher to deliver the introductory sermon, Rev. C M. Cope, alternate, R M. Burkett.

Submitted,

J. T. Campbell. W. L. Houck, R. C. Parsons, C H. Phillips, Committee. Report read and adopted.

Report on Orphanage.

Read by I. P. Barker.

32nd There are now 505 children in the orphanage. The average cost per child per day is 35c, aggregating a total annual cost of $66,046,75.

Your committee recommends.

1st. That, each Sunday School take special collections for the Orphanage at least once a month.

2nd. That all the people of the Ashe Association make a "One day for the Orphanage," Thanksgiving offering.

3rd That all the Christians in this Association pray for the Orphanage and its managers Respectfully submitted,

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Discussed by J W Duncan, Rev P H Haire, R H Goodman, Mills Goodman, Rev T M Hayse, J L Styke, M M Blevins. W E Hodgson, Rev Walter N Johnson Report adopted.

Report on Committee of Finance, Resolutions, Name Executive Committee.

Read and adopted.

33rd. We, your committee have received for the different objects as follows:

Minute fund	$54.02
State missions	65 76
Home missions	19 00
Foreign missions	10.75
Orphanage	78.86
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Total.....$255.39

Signed,

J. R. Johnson,
E. C. Eller,
J. E. Johnston.

Resolutions.

33rd. a. We, the members of the Ashe Association do hereby wish to thank the members of the Jefferson church and the citizens of the town of Jefferson and surrounding community for the splendid hospitality shown us during the sitting of this body.

Geo. M. Reeves, Wiley Burkett, Frank Marsh, Ed. Witherspoon, Com.

Executive Committee.

33rd. b. Your committee to nominate an executive committee, see no necessity of a change and thereupon re-appoint the old committee.

C W Phillips,.....Beaver Creek, N. C.
E C Eller,.....Berlin, "
Iredell Barker,.....Grassy Creek, "
Ira T Johnson,.....Idlewild, "
W E Hodgson,.....Jefferson, "

Report on Home, Foreign and State Missions.

Home Mission.

34th. The Home Mission Board now in its seventy-second year receives with pride the many wonderful strides it has made for the promotion of Christ and His cause.

During these many years the Home Mission Board has had many struggles, but from its infacy it has been fostered by a faith and zeal that knew no fear, believing that the idea of this great mission work was prompted in the hearts of our pioneer brethren by God of heaven and has been fostered and cared for by Him until it has now grown to be one of the greatest forces for good in the world. We recommend that our Baptist brethren and all Christian people, bow to God and with grateful hearts render unto Him honor and praise for this great Institution for good. Many thousands of the lost have been led to Christ, and many enlisted in service for the Master.

Our heart plea and prayer to God is that more attention among our brethren will be given the Home Mission Board, and that a more spirited and generous giving be created.

Submitted by C. M. Cope.

FOREIGN MISSION.

34th. a. The past year has been one of the most successful years in the history of Foreign Missions.

We are now sustaining something near 400 missionaries in seven foreign countries. Through the influence of these missionaries there are over 45 00 converts baptized into the church annually. Never has the time been when the people are more eager for the gospel or more ready to accept the gospel than they are in the Foreign lands today. This worlds war has opened up an opportunity for Christionized countries to give the gospel to the needy. Let us take advantage of this opportunity in giving of our means to spread this gospel. E. D. Harless.

STATE MISSIONS

34th. b By State Mission is meant, that department of our work that seeks to give Baptist preaching to every neighborhood in North Carolina, and to aid every weak and struggling Baptist church in the State to become strong and permanent forses for the evangelization of the people surrounding them.

Perhaps no greater leverage has been used by our Baptist Fathers in North Carolina hitherto in laying the broad and substantial foundation of our denominational strength, and our spiritual growth as well, than the work done by State Missions. We recognize the timely aid extended to this Association by the State Board, and in gratitude, and in the performance of our duty, we should not only continue our aid and support to this work, but make advancement in the number and amount of contributions in money and time, and in plann ng and praying for the success of this work. We acknowledge that we are indebted to the State Board as an Association for our present partial development and denominational strength. Submitted,

H A. Eller.

Discussed by Walter N. Johnston. Reports read and adopted.

Report of West Jefferson Baptist School.

35th. Your committee on the West Jefferson High School, submit that for lack of moral and financial aid, the school was turned over to the County and State authorities and will be run as a State High School.

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Statistical Table

CHURCH	PASTORS	P. O.	CLERKS	P. O.	Time of Preaching	Value of Ch. Property	Received by Baptism	By Letter	By Restoration	Lost by Letter	Excluded	By Death	No. of Males	No. Females	Total Membership
Apple Grove	J W Poe	Laurel Bl'ry Tenn	H A Miller	Park Va	2	600				3		1	29	72	102
Bald Mountain	P H Haire	Fleetwood N C	J W Duncan	Beaver C'k N C	1	1000			1				20	37	57
Baptist Home						200							17	18	35
Beaver Creek	C M Cope	Reno "	L H Goodman	Beaver C'k "	1	400				2	1	2	23	33	56
Berlin	T F Roberts	Alvorado Va	H A Eller	Berlin "	2	1000	7			1			37	39	76
Bethel	I C Miller	Stoney Fork N C	C W Phillips	Beaver C'k "	2	400				1	2	1	51	54	105
Big Flats	P H Haire	Fleetwood "	R C Parsons	Todd "	3	600				9			12	29	41
Big Laurel	N H Davis	Damascus Va	L A Kilby	Hemlock "	4	500							23	39	62
Bristol	T J Day	Warrensville N C	J W Day	Smethport "	2	100							14	16	30
Buffalo	W H Micheal	Trade Tenn	D H Campbell	Beaver C'k "	4	500	4	1	2	3	1	1	38	50	88
Clifton	P H Haire	Fleetwood N C	A E Shuemake	Clifton "	2	500			1				17	16	33
Forest Home	T J Day	Warrensville "	J H Ashley	Warrensville "	3	500		3					14	17	31
Friendship	W F Barker	Grassy Creek "	E F Mash	Jefferson "	4	600	4						29	58	87
Glendale	C M Cope	Reno "	J C Bowlin	Glendale Sp'gs	3	1000	1	1		1	1		19	33	52
Healing Springs	E Tucker	Grassy Creek "	A J Blevins	Grassy Creek "	1	500		1	2				21	39	60
Jefferson	C M Cope	Reno "	F W Testerman	Jefferson "	2	700	8						44	45	89
Landmark	Coy Blackburn	Piney Creek "	R C Barker	Grassy Creek "	4	1100	9		2	5	5	4	53	89	140
Liberty Hill	E Tucker	Grassy Creek "	J H Wagoner	Nathans " "	3	385				6	2	1	30	40	70
Long Branch	G Pennington	Park Va	J G Welch	Edison "	3	350	4		3				11	15	26
Meadow View	Coy Blackburn	Piney Creek N C	E C Waddell	Grassy Creek "	1	900	3				2		18	22	40
Mission Home	J S Elliott	Knottsville "	J E Johnson	Garren "	1	600	3	5		3			44	54	98

Mountain View	J A Davis	Grayson	"	J W Nichols	Glenn	"	1	300							10	20	30
New River	W F Barker	Grassy Greek	"	W A Hudler	Weaversford	"	3	500	7					2	35	57	92
Obids	R M Burkett	Theta	"	D C Severt	Obids	"	4	1000	9	3				1	24	52	76
Old Fields	C L Stike	Grassy Creek	"	J R Johnson	Idlewild	"	4	400	17	1	1	7	2	1	66	104	170
Orion	T M Hayse	Nathans	"	J F Dillard	Orion	"	1	1000	8	2	1				21	38	59
Peak Valley	W H Micheal	Trade Tenn		W H Tyre	Ashland	"	3	350			1	4			10	26	36
Pilot Mt	P H Haire	Fleetwood N C		Z T Watson	McGuire	"	3	300		2		2		1	27	39	66
Pleasent Hill	J F Walton	Lodi Va		A L Stamper	Park Va		4	800	1				3	1	23	35	58
Pleasent Home	J O Spencer	Grassy C'k N C		W R Lovelace	Grassy C'k	"	2	1000	6	1		1		1	44	81	125
Tuckerdale	Geo M Reeves	Beaver	"	J A Wagoner	Tuckerdale	"	2		2					1	9	12	21
Valley Home	R M Burkett	Theta	"	D R Jones	Toliver	"	1		23				2		16	30	46
West Jefferson	T F Roberts	Alvorado Va		Mrs J C Gambill	W Jefferson	"	4	1200		1		2			5	19	24
Zion Hill				W H Sheets	Index	"	3								11	22	33
						Total,		$19285	112	22	9	50	18	17	864	1348	2212

Individual Pledges for the Orphanage.

W E Hodgson	$5 00	E Tucker	$1 00
Joe Hodgson	1	J J S Jenney	2
Rev R M Burkett	1 30	G G Davis	1
Frank Tucker and wife	2	E L Tucker	1
C C Barker	3	J C Bowlen	1
Mrs W E Hodgson	3 50	Ed O Miller	1
F L Cox	1	R P Witherspoon	2 50
C M Cope	2 50	J W Goodman	1
T M Hayse	1 50	L G Ashley	1
W W Burkett	1	C L Marsh	1
Ira T Johnson	1	W E Carlton	5
Dr J W Colvard	5	Miss Zella Pierce	50
Miss Mae Plummer	1	David Burkett	1
J T Campbell	2 50	C L Styke	2
J C Denney	1	R C Parsons	1
Mrs W W Burkett	50	R A Johnston	1
G C Green	2	Mrs R M Burkett	50
Wm Phillips Jr	1	J P Shepherd	1
Mrs Mac Goodman	1	Mrs J E Parker	50
A B Houck	1	Mrs W H Garvey	1
W W Phillips	1	J F Dillard	1
W C Absher	1	T H Brown	1
S A Campbell	1 25	Prof W L Scott	1
J W Badger	1	Mac Goodman	1
Miss Ettie Luther	50	Miss Ellen Luther	50
H A Miller	1	Mrs H Miller	50
Mrs A Tucker	1	H A Clark	1
Mrs W P Barker	1	Miss Minnie Barker	1
Miss Lona Barker	1	Mrs Lucy Waddell	1
Lee Waddell	50	I P Barker	1
M M Blevins	4	Mrs M M Blevins	1
Miss Nellie Blevins	1	D L Blevins	1
R P Phipps	50	Geo M Reeves	1
Mrs G M Reeves	50	Mrs Belle Phillips	1
Walter Houck	2	W H Garvey	1
R H Goodman and wife	2	S A Hartsoe	1
H Baker	1	H L Goodman and wife	1
J A Wagoner	1	C C Barker	1
Foster Brown	1	Wade Vannoy	1
Walter Burkett	50	John Burkett	25
Mrs R P Witherspoon	50	E D Harless	1
Mrs C A Dickson	25	Dr S L Perkins	1
Dr J C Gambill	1	R F Blevins	1
E E Trivett	1	W F Burkett	1
Lester Blevins	50	W A Hudler	1
Calvin Hodgson	1	W H Worth	5

NOTE—A large percent of the individual pledges for the Oak Hill School and the Orphanage was paid at the Association, as you will see in the Clerk's report. For further information see the Clerk. This was an oversight of the printer and not in the manuscript. Also, another error in the value of church property. It should read $19,195.00.

Church Pledges for Orphanage, State, Foreign and Home Missions.

	Orphanage	*State M.*	*Foreign M.*	*Home M.*
Apple Grove	$2.50			$2.50
Pleasant Home	15.			
Pilot Mountain	5.	$4.		2.
Bald Mountain	10.	4.	$3.	3.
Beaver Creek	30.	25.	6.	5.
Berlin	15.	10.	5.	5.
Bethel	10.	4.	3.	3.
Big Flats	12.	2.	2.	2.
Buffalo	20.	4.	4.	4.
Clifton	5.			
Forest Home		2.	2.	1.
Friendship	5.			
Glendale	5.	1.	1.	1.
Healing Springs	8	3		2.
Jefferson	15.	10	5.	5.
Landmark	15.			
Liberty Hill	5.	2.	2.	1.
Mission Home	5.	5.	3.	2.
Mountain View	2.			
New River	10.	2.	2.	1.
Obids	15.	Box.		
Meadow View		2.	2.	2.
Orion	5.	2.	2.	1.
Old Field	15.	10.	5.	5.
Peak Valley	2.	1.		
Tuckerdale	5.	2.	2.	1.
West Jefferson	5.	5.	5.	

Adjourned to meet with Bald Mountain Missionary Baptist Church, Beaver Creek, N. C., Tuesday after the first Sunday in September, 1918.

Prayer by Rev. Walter N. Johnston.

Prof. J. C. Goodman, Moderator.
J. W Duncan, Clerk & Treasurer.

Finance Table

	Pastor's Salary	Building & Repairs	Incidental	S. S. Expenses	The poor	Minute Funds	Associational Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	S. S. Missions	Orphanage	Ministerial Relief	Col. & School	Other Objects	TOTAL
Apple Grove	10.00					1 50		2.50				2.50				16 50
Ball Mountain	25.65			3 55		1.50						8.46			8.75	47.91
Baptist Home																
Beaver Creek	100 00			4.00		2 75		31 30	8.35	13.05		26.00		4.00		189.45
Berlin	96 75		5.00	7.28	10.00	5 60		10.10	5.60	11.20	1.05	9 00				161 85
Bethel	29 70					2 00		3 20				9.69				44 59
Big Flats	20 45		9 00		5 00	1.25		3.13		2.05		10 51				51 39
Big Laurel	24.75					75			5.00							30.50
Bristol	10 20					1.00										11.20
Buffalo	67.50		28 00	16.19		2 50		4 00	5 00	3 00		15 00		10.00		151.19
Clifton	38 25				5.00	1.50						3.00				47 75
Forest Home	24 50			6.00		1.50		3.00	1 00			3.00				39 00
Friendship	33.50			2.00		1 00						3 50			16 80	56 80
Glendale	28.17			2.90	4 85	65		2.00	1.00	1.00		2.10			11.32	53 99
Healing Springs	15 35					1.50		3.00	2.00			8.06				29.91
Jefferson	89.80	259.55				2.85		10.00	5.00	5.00		16.45			50	438.65
Landmark	25 00			4 90	15 00	2.50		2 00	1.50			10.00			44 50	105.40
Liberty Hill	23 75			1.38		2.05						3.00				30.18
Long Branch	11 50	40 00				1.00		1 00	1.00			2.00				56.00
Meadow View	22.00	200.				1.50						11.50			8.00	243 00
Mission Home	62.		24.	5.20		1.50		5.	5.			5.				107.70

Mountain View-12.65					60	2.			92				16.17
New River-----26.70	32.70			2.			3.35		5.35			5.05	75.15
Obids--- -------24.33			2.60		60								27.53
Oldfields-------57.75		34.65			2.44	11.16	2.25	3.21	12.45				123.91
Orion ----------75.	2.50		3.10	2.			2.		2.			18.30	104.90
Peak Valley----19.50			4.50		75								24.75
Pilot Mountain-25.			2.50		50	3.	2 50	2.50					36.
Pleasent Hill---22.65					1.				1.				24.65
Pleasent Home-48.35			4.50		2.	5.	2.	5.	15.			16.	97.85
Tuckerdale-----58.65					2.55				4.61				65.81
Valley Home---42 06			4.07		1.18		2.	3.40	5.				57.71
West Jefferson--61.50			20		1.50	5.	3.	4.	10.				105.
Zion Hill------					50								50
Totals $1232.96	534 75	100.65	94.67	39.85	54.02	96.39	57.55	53.41	1.55	194.59		14.00	178.72	2662.62

Report of Clerk and Treasurer.

Beginning at the close of printing last years Minute.

Received from Dr. S. L. Perkins for Orphanage	$5.00
Paid F. B. Hamrick	$5.00

REPORT OF TREASURER.

Beginning at the close of the Association, 1917:

Received of Finance Committee, Minute fund	$54.04
Total	$54.04
" " State Missions	$65.76
Total	$65 76
" " Home Missions	$21.
Total	$21.
" " Foreign Missions	$10.75
Total	$10.75
" of Finance Com. Buffalo Church for Oak Hill School (last year.)	$10.00
" Pledges pd at Association for Oak Hill Sch.	59.25
Total	$69.25
" from Finance Committee for Orphanage	$78.86
Pledges paid at Association for Orphanage	65.55
Individuals for Orphanage (last year's pledges)	15.00
Received from J. C. Goodman percent allowed him on taking subscriptions to Recorder.	6.33
Total	$165.74

DISBURSMENTS

Paid to Walters Durham for State Missions	$65.76
" " Foreign Missions	10.75
" " Home Missions	21.00
" F. B. Hamrick Treasurer of Orphanage	165.74
" E. C. Filer for Oak Hill School	74.25
Received of Bald Mountain Church for State Mission pledges $5 00	
Paid to Walters Durham	5.00
Total	$342 50
" Badger Printing Co., for Printing Minutes	$35.00
Reserved for Clerical Service and Postage	20 00

J. W. DUNCAN, Treasurer.

Woman's Missionary Union.

We have one Woman's Missionary Union at Beaver Creek church with 8 members; Mrs. J. O Goodman, Beaver Creek, President. They report: For State Missions, $2.50, Home $1.35, Foreign $2.00, Training School $2.50. Total $8.35.

Sunbeams: One at Beaver Creek, Miss Clyde Goodman President, Beaver Creek, N. C. They report for State Missions $3.80, Home $1.00, Foreign $1.05, Training School $1.50. Total $7.35.

B. Y. P. U. One at Berlin church with 43 members, Miss Gertrude Eller, President. Berlin, N. C.

Oak Hill Academy.

Kindrick, Va.

Owned and controlled by Home Board of Southern Baptist Convention, and New River, Ashe and Alleghany Associations. A High Grade Co-Educational School, preparing graduates for Freshman and Sophomore years in college A School which seeks to train the heart as well as the head and hand Baptists must patronize their own Schools if we are to have trained leadership in the coming years. Investigate the merits of your own school before sending your sons and daughters elsewhere. F. L. COX, Principal.

E. C. Eller, Berlin, N. C., Board Member for Ashe Association.

Sunday School Table

CHURCH	SUPT.	P. O.	SECRETARY	P. O.
Ball Mountain	Walter Houck	Beaver Creek	J W Duncan	Beaver Creek
Beaver Creek	J C Goodman	" " N C	Bertha Goodman	" " N C
Berlin	Claud Rhodes	Berlin	" Gertrude Eller	Berlin "
Bethel	T H Brown J D Baker	Oval "	J A Johnson Jethro Goodman	Oval " Beaver Creek
Big Flats	R. C. Parsons	Todd N C	H V Walker	Garren N C
Buffalo	J F Hodgson	Beaver Creek	Spencer Friel and Tree	Top "
Forest Home	J H Ashley	Warrensville "	J H Ashley	Warrensville"
Friendship	R P Witherspoon	Jefferson "	W W Burkett	Jefferson "
Glendale	J C Bowlin	Glendale Springs	W F Perkins	Obids "
Healing Springs	N F Ballon	Grassy Creek"	F M Jones	Crumpler "
Jefferson	Dr S L Perkins	Jefferson "	Jennie Dickson	Jefferson "
Landmark	W E Denny	Grassy Creek"	Leora Brooks	Grassy Creek"
Libert Hill	I C Huddler	Nathans "	C A Huddler	Nathans " "
Mission Home	John Stike	Fleetwood "	J E Johnson	Garren "
Obids	D H Bengess	Obids "	Hagy Parsons	Obids "
Oldfields	L D Blackburn J C Cheek	Idlewild " Idlewild "	 Willie Blackburn	Idlewild " Idlewild "
Orion	J F Dillard	Orion "	W F Bare	Orion "
Peak Valley	Charly Brown	Ashland "	W H Tyree	Ashland "
Pilot Mountain	C Tucker	McGuire "	L C Phillips	McGuire "
Pleasant Home	J O Spencer	Grassy Creek"	Lester Blevins	Grassy Creek"
Tuckerdale	Mrs F B Tucker	Tuckerdale "	F B Tucker	Tuckerdale "
Vally Home	W R Miller	Toliver "	Clint Phillips	Toliver "
West Jefferson	J A Roland	W Jefferson "	A M Jones	W Jefferson"

TOTAL

No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Pupils	Total Enrollment	Church Members in S. S.	Months Kept Open	Baptisms from School	School Expenses	Missions	Orphanage	Total Contributions
1	4	45	49	20	12		3 55		8.46	12 01
1	5	55	60	36	12		4 00		26.00	30 00
1	8	75	83	39	12	7	7 28	1 05	4 00	12 33
2	11	130	141	36	3 8		84			84
1	6	50	56	25	12		4.46			4 46
1	6	30	36	20	12		6.90		9.29	16 19
1	7	88	95	34	12		6.00			6 00
1	6	56	62		6				2.33	2.33
1	6	97	103		12		2 90			2.90
1	6	48	54	15	6	1	3.00			3.00
1	6	123	129	25	12	7	13.40		10.65	24.05
1	6	94	100		5		4.90			4.90
1	5	77	82	32	3		1.38			1.38
1	4	50	54		12		5.20			5.20
1	5	30	35	20	6		2 60		2.00	4.60
2	12	88	100	50	6	6	8.00			8.00
1	6	38	54	30	9	3	3.10			3.10
1	6	25	31	19	12		4.50			4.50
1	4	30	34	15	6		2 50			2.50
1	7	35	42	20	8		4.50			4.50
1	4	44	48	11	4		1.31			1.31
1	6	65	74	40	9	12	4.07			4.07
1	6	100	106	8	12		20.00		8.00	28.00
24	140	1419	1559	459		36	113 55	1.05	70.73	185.33

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CONSTITUTION

Art. 1. This body shall be called the Ashe Association.

2. The object of this association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the gospel in our bounds, and in all the world, and in this work the association will co-operate with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

3. The members of this body shall be all the ordained ministers of the churches of this association, and three delegates from each church, who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment, and giving statistics of the membership and work of the church.

4. At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a moderator, clerk and treasurer in such way as the association may direct. The two last offices may be held by the same brother.

5. The moderator shall preside at the meetings, preserve order, appoint committees, and perform such other duties as are required of presiding officers.

6. The clerk shall keep correct record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing, and distributing to the churches, the proceedings of the body.

7. The treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent to the association, to pay them out as the association may direct, and make a report to each annual session.

8. The Association shall hold an annual meeting at such time and place as may be agreed upon.

9. At each annual meeting there shall be appointed an executive committee of five brethren, who shall look after the destitution in the bounds of this association, and co-operate with the State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention, making to the next session a report of the work done and all the general State Mission work.

10. The Association shall convene annually on Tuesday after the first Sunday in September. At each annual session there shall be appointed committees to make reports to the ensuing session on the following subjects to-wit: State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Pastoral Support, Ministerial Education, Baptist Orphanage, Biblical Recorder, Temperance, Digest Church Letters, Finance Place and Preacher for next Association.

11. Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

12. The Association will not receive nor retain in permanent fellowship any Church that retains in its fellowship any member who is disorderly in doctrine or practice, or who makes, sells, or in any way deals in ardent spirits as a beverage.

13. This Constitution may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual session.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES

1. We believe in one only true and living God, and that there are three persons in the God head, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, and that these three are one.

2. We believe that the Bible, the New and Old Testament, is the word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

3. We believe in the impotency of man and the sovereignty of God.

4. We believe that salvation is by Grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ to be practiced only by believers in their scriptural order.

6. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator, and that only those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and doctrine should take the Lord's Supper.

7. We believe in the final perseverance of the saints in grace to Glory.

8. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment.

9. We believe that the existance of the righteous and the wicked will both be of eternal duration, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

RULES OF ORDER

1. Every session shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. When the Moderator calls the house to order every member shall at once take his seat.

3. When a member wishes to speak he shall rise and address the Moderator and not proceed till he is recognized.

4. No member shall speak more than twice on any suject except by permission of the body.

5. No member shall leave the body during the session without permission of the Moderator.

6. It will be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house, or hold private conversation while the Moderator is speaking.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

FIRST DAY, 11 A. M.

1. Introductory Sermon.
2. Adjournment.

FIRST DAY, 1 P. M.

1. Assembling of Association.
2. Electing of Officers and Organization.
3. Roll call of Churches.
4. Reception of New Churches.
5. Invitation of Visitors.
6. Reading Abstract of Principles and Constitution.
7. Appointment of Committees.
8. Report on Biblical Recorder.
9. Report on Sunday Schools.
10. Report on Religious Exercises.
11. Announcement of Homes for Messengers and Visitors.

SECOND DAY, 8: 30 A. M.

1. Devotional Exercises.
2. Report of Historian.
3. Report on Digest of Church Letters.
4. Report on Pastoral Support.
5. Report on Temperance.

SECOND DAY, 1 P. M.

1. Report on Education.
2. Report on Religious Exercises.

THIRD DAY, 8: 30 A. M.

1. Devotional Exercises.
2. Report on Place and Preacher.
3. Report on Orphanage.
4. Report of Committee on Finance.
5. Report on Resolutions.
6. Report on naming Executive Committee.
7. Report on State, Home, and Foreign Missions.
8. Adjournment.

DIRECTORS OF THE ASHE ASSOCIATION

Prof. J. C. Goodman, Moderator,..... Beaver Creek, N. C.
James Eller, Vice-President,..... Bina, N. C.
J. W. Duncan, Clerk and Treasurer,..... Beaver Creek, N. C.

Executive Committee

C. W. Phillips,	Beaver Creek. N. C.
R. P. Wetherspoon, Chairman,	Jefferson, N. C.
J. H. Ahsley, Trersurer,	Warrensville, N. C.
A. H. Church,	Idlewild, N. C.
W. E. Hodgson, Secretary,	Jefferson, N. C.

State Mission Board

H. A. Eller, Bina, N. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Arnold, J. M.?	Riverside, N. C.
Burket, R M	Theta, N. C.
Barks, W J ?	Independence, Va
Blackburn, Coy	Piney Creek, N. C.
Barker, W F	Grassy Creek, N C.
Carlton, W E	Baldwin, N. C.
Day, T J	Warrensville, N. C.
Denney, W E	Grassy Creek, "
Hayse, T M	Nathans Creek "
Haire, P H	Fleetwood, "
Miller, Ed O	Obids, "
Neaves, J M ?	Crumpler, "
Porter, W M ?	Warrensville, "
Pennington, G M ?	Park, Va.
Spencer, J O	Grassy Creek, N. C.
Styke, C. L.	Bina, "
Trivett, J S ?	Fleetwood, "
Tucker, Elihu ?	Grassy Creek, "
Wilcox, Joseph ?	Beng, "
Woodruff, W A ?	Fleetwood, "

The names that are followed by question mark (?) have no care of Churches in this Association. This list is complete as taken from letters of Churches that were represented.—Clerk.

Messengers Present at Association

Apple Grove—J. R. Hurley.
Ball Mountain—A M Duncan, J T Campbell, W L Houck.
Baptist Home—Not represented by letter on messenger.
Beaver Creek—J O Goodman, R H Goodman, W G Ray.
Bethel—J P Goodman, T H Brown.
Big Flats—F L Houck, Rev. P H Haire.
Big Laurel—Not represented by letter or messengers.
Bristol—J W Cay.
Buffalo—W F Perkins, W L Campbell, Wiley Harless.
Clifton—Not represented by letter or messengers.
Forest Home—J M Parsons, J H Ashley.
Friendship—W W Burket, R P Wetherspoon, W A Faw.
Glendale—Ed O Miller, J C Bowlin
Healing Springs—Hiram Baker.
Jefferson—G C Green, W F Burket.
Landmark—William Hurley, J C Denney, Coy Barker.
Liberty Hill—Rev. T M Hayes.
Long Branch—E Z Sexton, Joe Ashley, Ambrose Miller.
Meadow View—C C Barker.
Mission Home—J E Johnston, J W Goodman, J E Pope.
Mountain View—Not represented by letter or messengers.
New River—Rev. Coy Blackburn.
Obids—Charles E Parsons.
Oldfields—A H Church, L D Blackburn, J E Cheek.
Orion—W C Absher, J F Dillard.
Peak Valley—S A Allen.
Phoenix—Glen King, Quincy Childers, H A Eller.
Pilot Mountain—J H Miller, C Tucker.
Pleasant Hill—Not represented by letter or messengers.
Pleasant Home—J W Hudler, M F Blevins, C N Deboard.
Tuckerdale—F B Tucker, Marcus Combs, Freddie Miller.
Valley Home—J N Stanberry, W R Miller.
West Jefferson—Mrs. J C Gambill.
Zion Hill—Not represented by letter or messengers.

Standing Committees

Foreign Missions, Rev. Coy Blackburn.
Home Missions, Rev. W E Denney.
State Missions, J P Goodman.
Biblical Recorder, J O Goodman.
Pastoral Support, J R Hurley.
Ministerial Education, H A Eller.
Orphanage, R P Wetherspoon and J C Bowlin.
Temperance. Rev. P H Haire and T M Hayse.
Digest of Church Letters, M M Blevins and F B Tucker.
Obituaries, Dr. S L Perkins and J F Dillard.
Sunday Schools, J H Ashley and E C Eller.
Ministers Relief, W F Burket and J R Johnson,

PROCEEDINGS

Beaver Creek, Ashe County, N. C.
Tuesday, Sept. 3d, 1918.

The Ashe Association met in its 320nd Annual Session with Ball Mountain Missionary Baptist Church at 11 A. M., and the proceedings were as follows:

1. The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Rev. Geo. M. Reeves. Text John 21: 22. "*Follow thou Me.*"

2. Adjourned 1 hour for refreshments.

TUESDAY EVENING SESSION, 1 P. M.

3. Assembling of association. Prayer by Rev. E. Tucker.

4. Election of officers by acclamation, resulting in the reelection of Prof. J. C. Goodman Moderator, and J. W. Duncan Clk. & Treas.

5. Roll of Churches called and 28 handed in letters.

6. The church of Berlin changed name to Phœnix. The post office has been changed from Berlin to Bina.

7. Call for new churches. None respond.

8. Call for visitors. Rev. I. C. Miller, Rev. C. M. Cope, and Rev. C. S. Farthing from Three Forks, Rev. Geo. M. Reeves from Knox County District Association, and Rev. F. L. Cox from New River association, were seated with the body.

9. The Constitution, Abstract of Principles, and Rules of Order were read by Rev. F. L. Cox.

10. Roll call of Standing Committees. Appointment of absentees were announced by the moderator as follows: Home Missions, Ed. O. Miller; State Missions, H. A. Eller and Rev. C. M. Cope; Biblical Recorder, J. L. Goodman and J. O. Goodman; Pastoral Support, C. C. Barker; Ministerial Education, Rev. F. L. Cox; Orphanage, W. E. Hodgson; Temperance, J. C. Denney; Digest of Church Letters, M. M. Blevins, F. B. Tucker and J. W. Duncan; Obituaries Dr. S. L. Perkins, R. R. Trivett; Sunday Schools, A. H. Church and F. B. Tucker.

11. Place and preacher for next Association, J. R. Hurly, C. Tucker, F. L. Houck, A. M. Duncan and Rev. W. F. Barker.

12. Committee on religious exercises, Pastor and Delegates of Ball Mountain church, and Rev. W. E. Carlton.

13a For naming Executive Committee for ensuing year. J. H. Ashley, G. C. Greene, J. M. Parsons.

13. Finance, R. H. Goodman, J. E. Johnston, J. O. Goodman.

14. Resolutions, Revs. I. C. Miller, E. Tucker Geo. M. Reeves.

15. Rev. T. L. Cox of the Oak Hill school spoke on Christian Education.

Collection and pledges following the address amounted to $54.70 to be used in improving the Oak Hill school.

16. Announcement of homes for delegates and visitors by J. W. Duncan.

17. Committee on Religious exercises submitted the following report:

Preaching at church at 8:30 p. m. by Revs. T. M. Hayes and Ed O. Miller.

Devotional exercises by Rev. Coy Blackburn at 9 o'clock a. m. Wednesday. Preaching at stand at 2: 30 p. m. Wednesday by Rev. E. Tucker and Rev. W. F. Barker.

18. Adjoutned to meet at 9 a. m. Wednesday.

Prayer by W. E. Carlton.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION

Sept. 4, 1918.

20. The Association met according to adjournment. One hour was spent in devotional exercises conducted by Rev. Coy Blackburn

21. Reports on Temperance and Biblical Recorder were handed in and read. After being discussed by Revs. P. H. Haire, I. C. Miller, C. M. Cope, W. F. Barker, and Geo. M. Reeves, and brethren J. C. Goodman, and J. O. Goodman, the reports were adopted.

REPORT on TEMPERANCE

Intemperance has been one, if not the greatest, evils of this nation but by the work and prayers of Christians, intemperance we trust will soon be a thing of the past in this land. The Word teaches us to be temperate in all things.

Resolved, That all our churches continue to pray that this evil be put from us, and that temperance will reign in this blessed land of ours. Submitted,

J. C. DENNEY.

REPORT on BIBLICAL RECORDER

Much has already been said and written about the Biblical Recorder, still many of our Baptist people refuse to take and read the Recorder. It is an evident fact that in almost every home in our fair land that the leading daily news papers are taken and read daily to exclusion of Religious Literature and the Word of God. If this condition could be reversed and the Biblical Recorder and the Bible

could displace the daily newspapers and other worldly and trashy literature, we believe the Master's cause would be strengthened and our churches would be filled. Respectfully submitted,

J. O. Goodman, J. L. Goodman, Com.

22. By motion, Prof. J. O. Goodman was appointed to represent the Biblical Recorder in the bounds of the Ashe association and elsewhere.

23. Reports of committees on Digest of Church Letters, Sunday-schools and Orphanage were read. Discussed by M. M. Blevins, Rev. P. H. Haire, and Rev. Walter M. Gilmore, and adopted.

Adjourned for one hour for refreshments. Prayer by Rev. W. M. Gilmore.

REPORT on DIGEST of CHURCH LETTERS.

From the reports of 27 churches that have reported to this Association to this time, your Committee finds as follows:

Value of church property $17085. Value of church property not reported to this session $2950. Total value of church property $20-035. Statistics. Received by baptism 104, by better 41, by restoration 27. Total gain 172. Dismissed by letter 30, by exclusion 11, by death 20, total 61, net gain 112. Membership. Males 813, Females 1229, total 2042. Membership not reported to this session, as shown by reports of 1917. Males 111, Females 176, total 287, total membership os this association 2329. Financial: Pastors salaries $1144.71. Building and repairing $109.70. Incidentals $23.28. Sunday-school expenses $129.87. The poor 159.20. Minute fund $47.58. State missions $113.33. Home missions $60. 57. Foreign missions $47.44. Sunday-school missions $5.58. Orphanage $356.26. Christian education $20. Other objects $370.58. Total $2587.02.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Organizations, Two.

Churches, Beaver Creek. President, Mrs J. O. Goodman, Beaver Creek, N. C. No. of members, 7. State Mis. $2.00 Home Mis. $1.75 Foreign Mis. $1.80. Training school $2.00. Total contributions $7.55.

West Jefferson, President Mrs. J. C. Gambill, West Jefferson, N. C. No. of members, 35. State Mis. $5.03. Home Mis. $1.59. Total contributions $6.62. Grand total contributions $14.17.

Fraternally submitted,

M. M. Blevins, J. W. Duncan, F. B. Tucker, Com.

One church, Peak Valley, handed in letter since this digest was made. Clerk.

REPORT on SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Your committee on Sunday-schools find that twenty one of the twenty seven churches that have reported to this association, have had Sunday-schools. Eight of these have had an ever green Sunday-

schools. The balance have run from two to eight months with 119 officers and teachers. Pupils enrolled, one thousand two hundred and seventy two. Total enrollment 1391.

Church members in Sunday-school 456.

Baptisms from Sunday-schools 18.

Sunday-school expenses $140.49

Sunday-school Missions $5.58.

Ten of these Sunday-schools have contributed to the Baptist Orphanage $92.97. Total contributions $239.24.

Your committee recommend that it is the Christian duty of every church in the association to organize and maintain a Sunday-school as the Sunday-school is a telling force for Christ and Christian progress.

If ever in the history of time that the Gospel and true religion should be taught through our churches and Sunday-schools it is now.

Respectfully Submitted,

F. B. Tucker, A. H. Church, Com.

REPORT on ORPHANAGE.

We are being called upon for great sacrifices in the prosecution of the great war but we must not forget our obligation to the Orphanage. Prices are unprecedented. Forty cents a day is now required for the support of a child. Four years ago twenty seven cents covered the cost of maintenance. $12.12 per month now; $8.35 then.

525 children are now committed to the care of the Orphanage. The pressure for admittance into the institution grows stronger with the passing days. The war god will make new and larger demands upon the Orphanages of the state as the blood toll is taken.

The giving of the income of one day to the Orphanage saved us last year. It is vital to the Orphanage that another outpouring of tangible affections shall rescue the institution from the disaster of a great debt on next Thanksgiving. We earnestly urge all our people to make this extra offering, and to do all in their power to add to this list of generous givers.

The record of the Sunday-schools last year was also the best in the history of the Orphanage. The current fund was steadier than ever before, which is the test of loyal giving by these monthly contributions. The organized classes supported a larger number of children than ever, and we are glad to believe that interest in this form of Orphanage work is steadily growing.

The health record for the last year has been wonderful, and the general progress of the children has been good. We urge all our Churches and Sunday-schools to redouble diligence in their Orphanage work this year.

Your committee would again urge and recommend:

1. A more general reading of Charity and Children.

2. A monthly offering from each Sunday-school.

3. A liberal Thanksgiving offering emphasizing the importance of giving not less than ONE DAY'S WORK at some time during the Thanksgiving season.

Respectfully submitted.

W. E. Hodgson.

Adjourded one hour for refreshments.

Prayer by Rev. W. M. Gilmore.

See pledges of churches on an other page.

WEDNESDAY EVENING SESSION.

24. The Association met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. I. C Miller.

25. The Report on Pastoral Support was read.

REPORT on PASTORAL SUPPORT.

After looking over last years record of Pastoral Support as compared with present reports in hand to date, and note an increase of about 1 cent per member over the previous year. Brethren with all this, your committee is sorry to say that we have not done more than one fourth of our duty. Shall we be content with less than our duty for our Master's cause? God forbid.

Submitted,

C. C. Barker.

Report discussed by I. C. Miller, H. A. Eller, Geo. M. Reeves, J. C. Goodman, Dr. S. L. Perkins.

Following these discussions the following brethren were appointed as chairmen of canvassing committees for the various churches:

Buffalo—Joseph F. Hodgson.
Baldmountain—J. T. Campbell.
Mission Home—Jas. W Goodman.
Land mark—W. L. Hurley, J. C. Denny.
Pilot Mountain—C. Tucker, S. H Miller.
Bethel—J. P. Goodman.
Forest Home—J. H. Ashley, J. M. Parsons.
Bristol—J. W. Day.
Apple Grove—J. R. Hurley.
Phœnix—H. A. Eller to take up the matter with Deacons.
Big Flats—F. L. Houck. Report adopted.

In connection with this report there were pledged and paid about $79. for the purpose of holding revival services with all the churches which did not represent themselves at this session of the associa-

tion, in the hope that they would report, take new courage and report next session.

26. By motion the Clerk was asked to print in the minutes the number of young men from this Association who are in the war. (For lack of correct information this cannot be done this year. Let all the churches report names and churches of all men in the war. Clerk.)

26a. Revs. E. Tucker and W. F. Barker preached at the stand. Text, Ephesians 2:8. "For by grace are ye saved, through faith, and that not of your selves: it is the gift of God.

27. Committee on Religious Exercises report. Devotional Exercises 9 a. m., Thursday by Rev. R. M. Burket.

Adjourned to meet Thursday morning 9 a. m.

Prayer by C. M. Cope.

THURSDAY MORNING, Sept. 5th 1918.

Association met according to adjournment, and spent 1 hour in devotional exercises conducted by Rev. R. M. Burket.

27. Minutes of Wednesday's session read and adopted.

28. By motion the Moderator appointed a sub-committee to name an executive committee, whereas the former committee failed to appoint. A new nominating committee, J. P. Goodman, J. C. Bowlin, H. Baker, Laurence Blackburn and Wiley Harless were appointed.

29. Report on Resolutions read and adopted.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolved, That we, the Ashe Association, extend to Bald Mountain church and the surrounding community, our heartiest thanks for the splendid hospitality and kindness shown us during the sitting of this body.

Geo. M. Reeves,
E. Tucker.

30. Report of sub- committee to report on Executive Committee: We nominate R. P. Wetherspoon, Jefferson, J. H. Ashley, Warrensville, A. H. Church, Idlewild, W. E. Hodgson, Jefferson, C.W Phillips, Beaver Creek.

31. By motion the Association empowered the clerk to turn over to the Executive Committee the funds and pledges for Associational Missions. The clerk asked this to be done for his relief as he could not be present at all their meetings.

32. By motion the Order of Business as printed on pages 3 and 4 of 1918 Minutes was adopted.

32a. Report of Finance Committee read and adopted.

33. Reports on State, Home and Foreign Missions were read and after being discussed by Rev. W, M. Gilmore, were adopted.

STATE MISSIONS.

Every thing must have a foundation upon which to build, if the building is to be a success, so Missions must have a foundation and State missions is the foundation upon which all missions should rest, so in this crisis of the world when God needs money to finance his Kingdom let us make solid the foundation by doing what the Lord would have us to do for State missions.

Respectfully submitted,

C. M. Cope, H. A. Eller, Com.

HOME MISSIONS.

The call has neverbeen so great upon the people of America forHome missions as it is today when we think of our boys who have been taken from their homes where they could go to the old home churches and hear God's Word preached to them, are now in the several camps away from home influence and the demands are upon us now to give of our means to send men to the camps to preach to them and throw around them as much as possible a home influence. Brethren the opportunity is ours and the task is not too great, will we give of our means and not let this golden opportunity pass?

Respectfully submitted,

Ed O. Miller, Com.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Considering the 400 and over missionaries all ready in the field to sustain, and the great work they are doing, the thousands of souls that are being saved, and that the darkest Heathen Nations of the world, God for some cause is holding out of this war with open doors for the gospel. Let us for the Lord's sake not fail in means and prayers to do our best to embrace the opportunity.

Submitted,

P. H. Haire

See church pledges on another page.

34. Adjourned to meet with Big Flats Missionary Baptist Church Tuesday after the first Sunday in September, 1919.

Prayer by Rev. P. H. Haire.

PROF. J. C. GOODMAN, *Moderator.*

J. W. DUNCAN, *Clerk & Treasurer.*

TABLE 1.-- STATISTICAL

CHURCHES	PASTORS	P. O.	CLERKS	P. O.	Time of Preaching	Value of Ch. Property	Received by Baptism	Rec by Letter	Restoration	Lost by Letter	Excluded	Died	No. of Males	No. Females	Total Membership
Apple Grove	J. W. Poe,	Laurel Bloom'y Ten	H. A. Miller,	Park, Va.	2	$ 750	3	2	0	1	0	1	31	74	105
Ball Mountain.	P H Haire	Fleetwood, N. C.	J W Duncan	Beaver C'k NC	1	1000	10	3	1			2	29	41	70
Baptist Home															
Beaver Creek	C M Cope	McGuire "	J O Goodman	,, "	1	500				2			23	33	56
Bethel	Ed O Miller	Obids "	C W Phillips	Beaver C'k "	2	500				1		2	37	51	88
Big Flats	W E Carlton	Baldwin "	R C Parsons	Todd "	3	700	7	3	1			1	19	35	54
Big Laurel															
Bristol	T J Day	Warrensville "	J W Day	Smethport "	2	100							11	19	30
Buffalo	W H Michael	Trade Tenn	D H Campbel	Beaver C'k "	4	500	11	1			1		42	57	99
Clifton															
Forest Home	T J Day	Warrensville N C	J H Ashley	Warrensville "	3	500	4	9		2			18	25	43
Friendship	W E Carlton	Baldwin "	E F Marsh	Jefferson "	4	800	13						35	65	100
Glendale	Ed O Miller	Obids "	J C Bowlin,	Glendale Sp'ngs	3	1000	9		3				22	42	64
HealingSpring	J O Spencer	Grassy Creek "	A J Blevins	Grassy C'k NC	1	500					1		25	44	69
Jefferson			F W	Testerman Jefferson "		700		4				1	41	43	84
Landmark	Coy Blackburn	Piney Creek "	R C Barker	Grassy C'k "	4	1100	10	1	2	9	1	3	53	87	140
Liberty Hill	J O Spencer	Grassy Creek "	J H Wagoner	Nathans C'k	3	385	1	3			2		31	41	72
Long Branch	C L Styke	Bina "	J G Welch	Lansing "	3	350	5		15			1	19	26	45
Meadow View	C Blackburn	Piney Creek "	C E Wadell	Grassy C'k "	1	900	2					1	18	23	41
Mission Home	J S Elliott	Knoeville "	J E Johnson	Garren "	1	600				2	1	1	42	52	94
Mountain View															
New River	W F Barker	Grassy Creek "	W A Hudler	Crumpler "	3	800	3			1			37	57	94

Obids	R M Burket	Theta	"	G C Severt	Obids	"	4	1000				3	2	2	21	53	74
Old Fields	C L Styke	Bina	"	A H Church	Idlewild	"	4	300							65	105	170
Orion	T M Hayse	Nathans Creek	"	J F Dillard	Orion	"	1	1000						2	22	37	59
Peak Valley	Roscoe Trivett	Trade	Tenn	W H Tyree	Ashland	"	3	250		2	1			1	12		
Phœnix	T F Roberts	Alvarado	Va	H A Eller	Bina	"	2	1000				4	1		35	36	71
Pilot Mountain	P H Haire	Fleetwood	N C	C Tucker	McGuire	"	3	300		1	1			1	17	28	45
Pleasant Hill																	
Pleasant Home	C Blackburn	Piney Creek	"	Lester Blevins	Grassy C'k	"	2	800	8	9		3	2	1	47	89	136
Tuckerdale	W E Denney	Grassy Creek	"	R R Tucker	Tuckerdale	"	2		7	1	1				13	18	31
Valley Home	W H Michael	Trade	Tenn	D R Jones	Toliver	"	1		11	5	3			1	23	41	64
W Jefferson	T F Roberts	Alvarado	Va	Mrs J C Gambill	W Jefferson		4	2000				3			7	7	14
Zion Hill																	
								17,335	104	43	28	30	11	21	825	1256	2081

CHURCH PLEDGES

CHURCHES	State M.	Home M.	Foreign M.	Orphanage
Apple Grove	$3.00	$1.00	$1.00	$ 5.00
Ball Mountain	5.00	4.00		10.00
Baptist Home				
Beaver Creek	25.00	5.00	5.00	30.00
Bethel	3.00	3.00	3.00	10.00
Big Flats	5.00	5.00	5.00	20.00
Big Laurel				
Bristol				5.00
Buffalo	5.00	5.00	5.00	22.00
Clifton				
Forest Home	4.00	2.00	1.00	10.00
Friendship	3.00	1.00	1.00	5.00
Glendale	1.00	1.00	1.00	5.00
Healing Springs	3.00	2.00		8.00
Jefferson				15.00
Landmark	15.00	5.00	5.00	20.00
Liberty Hill				5.00
Long Branch				5.00
Meadow View				10.00
Mission Home	5.00	5.00	5.00	10.00
Mountain View				
New River	2.50	2.50		15.00
Obids				5.00
Oldfields	10.00	5.00	5.00	15.00
Orion				10.00
Peak Valley	1.00	1.00	1.00	
Phœnix	10.00	5.00	5.00	15.00
Pilot Mountain	1.00	1.00	1.00	5.00
Pleasant Hill				
Pleasant Home		3.00 pd	3.00 pd	20.00
Tuckerdale	3.00	3.00	2.00	10.00
Valley Home				
West Jefferson	5.00	5.00		10.00
Zion Hill				
Totals,	99.50	64.50	48.00	300.00

INDIVIDUAL PLEDGES FOR ORPHANAGE

F B Tucker	1 00 pd	M M Blevins	4 00
Mrs F B Tucker	1 00 pd	Mrs M M Blevins	1 00
J C Bowles	1 00 pd	Nellie Blevins	1 00
W E Hodgson	5 00 pd	Price H Goodman	50pd
W H Garvey	5 pd	Benford Hardin	25pd
W C Absher	50 pd	Mrs G C Greene	1 50pd
W F Barker	1 pd	J F Dillard	1 pd
W E Carlton	5 pd	Mrs R H Goodman	1 pd
J C Denney	1	T H Brown	1 pd
J Q Childres	1 pd	F P Trivett	1 pd
J E Johnson	1 pd	Mrs J C Gambill	1 pd
H A Eller	1 pd	Mrs H A Campbell	1 pd
E Tucker	1 pd	Mrs C E Trivett	50pd
Thomas Hodgson	1 pd	R H Goodman	1 pd
H Baker	1 pd	Mrs F P Trivett	1 pd
W W Burket	1 pd	Mrs W W Burket	50pd
J A Goodman	1 pd	Mrs Emaline Houck	1 pd
J A Johnson	1 pd	Mrs W E Hodgson	2 50pd
Joe Hodgson	1 pd	Reece Houck	1 pd
W L Houck	2 pd	A M Duncan	1 pd
R P Wetherspoon	1 pd	E F Marsh	1 pd
G C Greene	2 pd	J C Houck	1 pd
T E Griffin	1 pd	Elizabeth Duncan	1 pd
R R Trivett	1 pd	W M Hopkins	1 pd
W A Faw	1 pd	Miss Carrie Walters	50pd
J W Goodman	1 pd	W L Hurley	1
Geo M Reeves	1 pd	Mrs J O Goodman	5
Mrs G M Reeves	50 pd		
Total,	41.00		33.25

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Table 2.—Financial	Pastor's Salary	Building & Repairs	Incidentals	S. S. Expenses	The Poor	Minute Fund	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	S. S. Missions	Orphanage	Christian Education	Other Objects	TOTAL
Apple Grove	37.80	65.00	..	4.64	..	1.50	..	2.50	..	..	2.50	..	6.50	120.44
Ball Mountain.	68.30		4.01	5.00	4.50	4.82	5.00	6.60	6.61		15.01		35.55	155.31
Baptist Home														
Beaver Creek	100.00					3.00	25.00	7 50	6 00		30 00			171 50
Bethel						2.20	4.00	1 00			22 25			29 45
Big Flats	55.41		4.77	6.20	50.00	3.00	5.00	5 00	5 43		27 36		25 15	184.32
Big Laurel														
Bristol	20.00					1.60					3.50			25 10
Buffalo	75.50	4.20	.50	4.90		2.50	4.00	4 00	4 00		37 85		49 55	187 00
Clifton														
Forest Home	45.30			3.59		2.00	5.00	2 50			15 67		20	94 06
Friendship	46 85			3.68		1.25	5 00			1 50	13 50	5 00	16 50	93 28
Glendale	21.64			3.63	51.17	.60	1.00	1 00	1		6 33			86 37
HealingSpring	9.55					1 50	3 00	2			8			24 05
Jefferson		25.00	5.00			2 00	5 83	1	2		15			53 83
Landmark	42 05					3 00					22		35	102 05
Liberty Hill	29 00					2.00	2.00	2	1		5		8 50	49 50
Long Branch				2.50		1.30					3			6 80
Meadow View	65.50				28.53	1 85	2.00	2	2				10 00	91 88
Mission Home	50 00	2 50		5 50		2.50	5 00	2	3		10 40		81 11	161 01
Mountain View														
New River	32 05	10 00				3 00	2 00	2	1		15	5	6	76 05

Obids	27.50			3.50		.75					15.			46.75
Old Fields	54 25			3 00		2 45	10.00	5.	5.		15			92.25
Orion	75 00			2 50	15.00	1 50	2 50	2.50			15.79	10.	2 50	127 29
Peak Valley	26 10	5.00		6 00		75	1 00				2			3 75
Phœnix	100		5.00	9 40	10 00	5.15	10 00	7 08	6 40	4 08	15		20 00	188 33
Pilot Mountain	34 24		4 00	2 50		2 00	2 00	2	2		5			53 74
Pleasant Hill														
Pleasant Home	57 35			6 66		3 50					24		11 57	162 08
Tuckerdale	51 00			9 16		2 53	2 00	1	2		6,10		9.15	82 96
Valley Home	57 44			5 51		1 60								64 55
W Jefferson	18 98	3.00		48 00		2 00	13 00	1.59			7			93 57
Zion Hill														
	1170.81	114.70	23.28	135.87	159.20	61 87	114 34	60.57	47.44	5.58	357.26	20.00	377.28	2,609.12

FINANCE REPORT

CHURCHES	State M.	Home M.	Foreign M.	Minute Fund	Orphanage
Apple Grove		$2.50		$1.50	$ 2.50
Ball Mountain				4.82	
Baptist Home					
Beaver Creek				3.00	
Bethel	4.00	1.00		2.20	22.25
Big Flats				3.00	
Big Laurel					
Bristol				1.60	3.50
Buffalo	4.00	4.00	4.00	2.50	20.00
Clifton					
Forest Home	5.00	2.50		2.00	15.67
Friendship	5.00			1.25	
Glendale	1.00	1.00	1.00	.60	2.00
Healing Springs	3.10	2.00		1.50	6.00
Jefferson	5.83	1.00	2.00	2.00	10.05
Landmark				3.00	
Liberty Hill		.50	1.00	2.00	2.85
Long Branch				1.30	3.00
Meadow View	2.00	2.00	2.00	1.85	
Mission Home	5.00	3.00	2.00	2.50	10.40
Mountain View					
New River	2.00	2.00	1.00	3.00	
Obids				.75	
Oldfields	10.00	5.00	5.00	2.45	
Orion				1.50	1.50
Peak Valley	1.00			.75	2.00
Phœnix	3.00	7.38		5.15	7.52
Pilot Mountain	2.00	1.40		2.00	5.00
Pleasant Hill					
Pleasant Home				3.50	
Tuckerdale	2.00	1.00	2.00	2.55	
Valley Home				1.60	5.37
West Jefferson				2.00	
Total,	54.83	36.28	20.00	61.87	114.61

Grand total, $287.59.

J. O. Goodman, J. E Johnston, R. H. Goodman, Com.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Beginning at the close of Association, 1918:		
Received of Finance Committee State Missions,	$ 54.83	
" in public collection at association,	7.71	
Total received for State Missions,		$ 62.54
" of Finance Committee for Home Missions,	36.28	
" of Pleasant Home church pledges paid,	3.00	
Total received for Home Missions,		39.28
Received of Finance Comm. for Foreign Missions,	20.00	
" of Pleasant Home church pledges paid,	3.00	
Total received for Foreign Missions,		23.00
Received of Finance Committee Minute Fund,	61.87	
" of Individuals,	4.00	
Total for Minutes,		65.87
Received of Finance Committee for Orphanage,	114.61	
" of W. E. Hodgson last year pledge,	7.00	
" Individual pledges paid at association,	60.25	
Total received for Orphanage,		181.86

DISBURSEMENTS

Paid to Walters Durham State Missions,	$ 62.54	
" " " Home Missions,	39.28	
" " " Foreign Missions,	23.00	
" F. B. Hamrick, Treasurer Orphanage,	181.86	
Total paid out,		$306.68
Reserved for Clerical Services and Postage,	$ 20.00	
Paid Will H. McGuire for Printing Minutes,	40.50	

J. W. Duncan, Treasurer.

TABLE III.—SUNDAY SCHOOLS

CHURCHES	SUPT	P. O.	SEC'Y	P. O.	No. Schools	Officers and Teachers	Pupils	Total Enrollment	Church Members in S. S.	Months Open	Baptisms from School	School Expenses	Missions	Orphanage	Total Contributions
Apple Grove	J. R. Hurley	Park, Va.	H. A. Miller	Park, Va.	1	5	70	75	20	4	..	4.64	....	....	4.64
Ball Mountain.	W L Houck	Beaver Creek N C	J W Duncan	Beaver Cr'k NC	1	4	46	50	30	12	8	5.00		15.01	20.01
Baptist Home															
Beaver Creek	J C Goodman	"	Bertha Goodman	" "	1	4	50	54		12				30.00	30.00
Bethel	J D Baker	"	T H Brown	Oval "	1	6	70	76	30	6		3.92		20.25	24.17
Big Flats	R C Parsons	Todd "	Anna Houck	Fleetwood "	1	5	65	70	30	12	4	6.20			6.20
Big Laurel															
Bristol															
Buffalo	D H Campbell	Beaver Creek "	Bynum Harless	Jefferson "	1	7	49	56		12		4.90		17.85	22.75
Clifton															
Forest Home	J H Ashley	Warrensville "	Rosa Ashley	Warrensville "	1	6	68	74	25	6		3.59		8.62	12.21
Friendship	R P Witherspoon	Jefferson "	W W Burkett	Jefferson "	1	6	92	98	40	6		3.68	1.50		5.18
Glendale	E C Severt	Wagoner "	P L Miller	Glendale "	1	6	82	88	31	12		3.63			3.63
HealingSpring	No school.														
Jefferson	S L Perkins	Jefferson	MrsFWTesterman	Jefferson "	1	4	65	69	15	12		12.40		5.83	18.23
Landmark	Av. Blackburn	Grassy Creek "	Lora Brooks	Grassy Creek "	1	2	70	75		5					
Liberty Hill	No school.														
Long Branch	J G Welch	Lansing "	Mattie Welch	Edison "	1	5	50	55	30	2		2.50		3.00	5.50
Meadow View	No school reported.														
Mission Home	C H Williams	Fleetwood "	J E Johnston	Garren "	1	5	50	55	20	9		5.50			5.50
Mountain View															
New River	No school														

Obids	C E Parsons	Obids	"	Mary Ann Brown	Obids	"	1	6	50	56		8	3.50				3.50
Old Fields	L M Cheek	Hopkins	"	Belva Blackburn	Idlewild	"	1	4	40	44	20	6	3.00			3.00	6.00
Orion	E D Coldiron	Orion	"	W J Bare	Orion	"	1	6	40	46	40	9	2.50				2.50
Peak Valley	W H Tyree	Ashland	"	W H Tyree	Ashland	"	1	5	50	55	25	12					
Phœnix	E C Eller	Bina	"	Gertrude Eller	Bina	"	1	6	56	62	30	10	9.40	4.08		7.52	21.00
Pilot Mountain	R L Grogan	McGuire	"	Minnie Miller	McGuire	"	1	5	33	38	15	6	2.50				2.50
Pleasant Hill																	
Pleasant Home	M F Blevins	Grassy Creek	"	Clay Hudler	Grassy Creek	"	1	8	56	64	30	5	6.66				6.66
Tuckerdale	E L Tucker	Tuckerdale	"	Pearl C Wagoner	Tuckerdale	"	1	6	70	76	20	12	9.16				9.16
Valley Home	J N Stanberry	Toliver	"	Millard Roark	Toliver	"	1	9	101	110	45	9	3	5.51			5.37	10.88
W Jefferson	Mrs J C Gambill	West Jefferson	"				1	6	40	55	5	12		48.00			6.52	54.52
Zion Hill																		
	Note: This table added Peak Valley and Mission Home churches since the digest was made						23	130	1362	1504	421		18	146.19	5.58		92.97	269.24

REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION
of the Ashe Association

The Sunday School Convention met with Mission Home church June 29th and 30th, 1918. Introductory sermon was preached by Rev. C. M. Cope.

The Convention was called to order by the Moderator, and letters were read from six Sunday schools as follows:— Mission Home, Oval, (branch of Bethel church) Big Flats, Jefferson, Pilot Mountain, and Old Fields. After the reading of the letters, the Convention elected officers for the ensuing year as follows:

C. M. Cope, Moderator; J. E. Johnston, Clerk.

The moderator appointed the following committees:

Time, Place, and Preacher for next convention:
J. M. Teague, F. L. Houck, J. C. Williams.

Program for this Session:
J. E. Johnston, Mrs. F. Testerman, Jas. W. Goodman, Deacons of Mission Home church.

Adjourned for noon recess.

The Convention reassembled at 1: 30 p. m.

After songs and prayer, the the following subject was discussed: Shall we discontinue the Sunday School Convention? If so, why so? If not, why not?

Discussed by brethren J. W. Teague, F. L. Houck, P. H. Haire, and C. M. Cope.

Committee on Time, Place and Preacher report the following: Place—Big Flats. (This has been changed to Pilot Mountain.) Time— Last fifth Sunday before the association and Saturday before. Preacher—W. E. Carlton.

Sermon to be preached at 7 p. m. Saturday.

Annual sermon was preached at 11 a. m. Sunday by Rev. C.M.Cope

C. M. Cope, Moderator, J. E. Johnston, Clerk.

NOTE— Big Flats took the Ashe Association for 1919, and the S.S Convention was changed to meet with Pilot Mountain church, about one mile from West Riverside on the V-C railroad.

For statistics of the six schools represented at this convention, see Sunday-school table of statistics in Minute.

Obituaries

Edgar, the son of Mr. & Mrs. Culver Parson, was born April 1, 1899, and killed on the battlefieid of Manders in France on March 1, 1918, age 18 years and 11 months.

He volunteered into the U. S. army at Bluefield, W. Va., February 19, 1917 and was stationed at the following places before being sent to France viz: Columbus, Ohio; Sam Houston, Texas; Douglas Ariz.; Port Jersey and Hoboken, N. J. He was sent in the expeditionary forces to France in July 1917. He did not forget his mother and before sailing he made an allotment to her and also took out ten thousand dollars insurance of which she is now drawing $57.50 every month for twenty years.

He was the first Ashe county soldier to lay down his life in this world's conflict that we all may remain free. He belonged to Company C, 18th Infantry and was buried with appropriate religious services and military honors in the French Military Cemetery at Manders on the same day that he was killed.

Sarah Lemery Campbell, daughter of A. L. and Mrs Lizzie Smith, was born at Stony Fork, Watauga county, N. C., Nov. 12th, 1894; died June 29, 1918; age 23 years, 7 months and 17 days; cause of death, toxemia. She professed religion and joined Beaver Creek Missionary Baptist church, and later, moved her membership to Bald mountain Baptist church and lived a faithful member till death.

She was married to J. T. Campbell December 28, 1913. There were born to this marriage four children, three boys and one girl, all of which were living at her death. She left twin boys seven hours old, one of which died six weeks later.

Melvina Tucker, daughter of Eli and Elizabeth Blevins, was born May 20, 1855 in Washington county, Va. and died March 18, 1917 in Ashe county N. C., age 61 years, 9 months and 28 days.

She joined the White Top Missionary Baptist church the third Saturday in March 1868 and moved her membership to Apple Grove Baptist church where she remained a faithful member till death.

She married Sidney Tucker March 9, 1875. To this union were born eleven children, six boys and five girls, of which five boys and four girls are still living.

Obituaries

Jesse F. Yates was born June the 6th 1842, died April 26th 1918. Age 75 yr, 10 mo, 20 days. He was married to Sarah A. Hodgson Jan. 12, 1866.

He professed faith in Christ at the age of 13 yr and joined Mission Home Missionany Baptist church and lived a consistent member until death. In his death the church has lost a most consistent member as he was always found at his post of duty. On his death bed he said he was ready to go.

Sister Almeady Wyatt was born Sept. 16, 1893 and departed this life Sept. 27, 1916, making her stay on earth 23 years and 11 days.

She professed a hope in Christ in her 17th year and joined Pleasant Hill Baptist church and lived a consecrated Christian life until death.

T. J. Day.

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CONSTITUTION

Art. 1. This body shall be called the Ashe Association.

2. The object of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the gospel in our bounds, and in all the world, and in this work the Association will co-operate with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

3. The members of this body shall be all the ordained ministers of the churches of this Association, and three delegates from each church, who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment, and giving statistics of the membership and work of the church.

4 At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a moderator, clerk and treasurer in such way as the Association may direct. The two last offices may be held by the same brother.

5. The moderator shall preside at the meetings, preserve order, appoint committies, and perform such other duties as are required of presiding officers

6 The clerk shall keep correct record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing, and distributing to the churches, the proceedings of the body.

7 The treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent to the Association, to pay them out as the association may direct, and make a report at each annual session.

8. The Association shall hold an annual meeting at such time and place as may be agreed upon.

9. At each annual meeting there shall be appointed an executive committee or five brethren, who shall look after the destitution in the bounds of this association, and co-operate with the State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention, making the next session a report of the work done and all the general State Mission work

10 The Association shall convene annually on Tuesday after the first Sunday in September. At each annual session there shall be appointed committies to make reports to the ensuing session on the following subjects to-wit: State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Pastoral Support, Ministerial Education, Baptist Orphanage, Biblical Recorder, Temperance, Digest Church Letters, Finance, Place and Preacher for next Association.

11. Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

12 The Association will not receive nor retain in permanent fellowship any Church that retains in its fellowship any member who is disorderly in doctrine or practice, or who makes, sells, or in way deals in ardent spirits as a beverage,

13. This Constitution may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual session,

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES

1. We believe in one only true and living God, and that there are three persons in the God head, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, and that these three are one.

2. We believe that the Bible, the New and Old Testament, is the word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

3. We believe in the impotency of man and the sovereignty of God.

4 We believe that salvation is by Grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ

5 We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ to be practiced only by believers in their scriptural order

6 We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator, and that only those who are thus baptised and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and doctrine should take the Lord's Supper.

7 We believe in the final perseverence of the saints in grace to Glory.

8 We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment.

9 We believe that the existence of the righteous and the wicked will both be of eternal duration, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

RULES OF ORDER

1 Every session shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2 When the Moderator calls the house to order every member shall at once take his seat

3 When a member wishes to speak he shall rise and address the Moderator and not proceed till he is recognized.

4. No member shall speak more than twice on any subject except by permission of the body.

5. No member shall leave the body during the session without permission of the Moderator.

6. It will be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house, or hold private conversation while the Moderator is speaking.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

FIRST DAY, 10 A M.

1. Introductory sermon.
2. Organization.

3. Roll call of Churches and Reception of new Churches.
4 Invitation to Visitors.
5. Reading of Constitution, Abstract of Principles and Rules of Order.
6. Appointment of Committies.

FIRST DAY, 1 P M.

1. Report on Biblical Recorder.
2. Report on Sunday Schools and Colportage.
3. Report on Pastoral Support.
4. Report on Temperance.
5. Report on Education.
6 Report on Religious Exercises.
7. Assignment of homes for messengers and visitors.

SECOND DAY, 9 A M.

1. Devotional Exercises.
2. Report on place and preacher.
3. Report of Committe on Digest of Church Letters.
4. Report on State, Home and Foreign Missions.

SECOND DAY 1 P. M.

1. Report of Commitnee on Finance.
2. Report on naming Executive Committee.
3. Report on Orphanage.
4. Report on Resolutions.
5. Adjournment.

DIRECTORS OF THE ASHE ASSOCIATION

Prof J. C. Goodman, Moderator, ... Beaver Creek. N. C
James Eller, Vice-President, ... Bina, N. C
J. W Duncan, Clerk and Treasurer, ... Beaver Creek. N. C

Executive Committee

C. W. Phillips, ... Beaver Creek, N. C
F. W. Testerman, Chairman, ... Jefferson, N. C
J. H. Ashley, Treasurer, ... Warrensville, N. C
A. H. Church, ... Idlewild, N. C
W. E. Hodgson, Secretary, ... Jefferson, N. C

State Mission Board

H A. Eller, ...Bina, N. C.

RESIDENT PASTORS

Burkett, R M .....Theta, N. C
Blackburn, S Coy .....Piney Creek, "
Carlton, W E .....Baldwin "
Day, T J .....Warrensville, "
Denny, W E .....Grassy Creek, "
Hayse, T M .....Nathans Creek, "
Haire, P H .....Fleetwood, "
Miller, Ed O .....Glendale Springs, "
Spencer, J O .....Grassy Creek, "
Styke, C L .....Bina, "

ORDAINED MINISTERS NOT PASTORS

Arnold, J M .....Damascus, Va.
Barker, W, F .....Grassy Creek, N. C.
Blackburn, M D ..... " " "
Glen, W H .....Dandy, "
Neaves, J M .....Crumpler, "
Porter, W M .....Warrensville, "
Pennington, G M .....Konnarock, Va.
Trivett J S .....Garren, N. C.
Tucker, Elihu .....Grassy Creek, "
Wilcox, Joseph .....Idlewild, "
Woodruff, W A .....Fleetwood, "

LICENTIATES

Ashley, Joseph .....Edison, "
Blevins, Lester .....Grassy Creek, "
Miller, Ambrose .....Edison, "
Penry, H T .....Grassy, Creek, "

10. Committee on Religious Exercises, W. E. Hodgson J. O. Spencer, Pastor and Delegates of Big Flats Church

11. The Ashe Association by request of the Alleghany Association, by motion extends to them a welcome to join our body.

12. Committee on Resolutions. J. E. Johnston and Rev. G. M. Reeves.

13. Finance W. T. Miller, J. G. Welch and J. E. Johnston.

14. Place and Preacher for next association, Marcus Combs, H. T. Penry, C. C. Barker, E. C. Eller, H. A. Miller, C. Tucker and E. L Tucker. (See page one.)

15. To Name executive Committee, J. C. Denny, Wiley Harless and S. A. Campbell (See page four.)

16. Report on Biblical Recorder read:

Your Committee recommends that he will never be satisfied until the Recorder visits every home in the Ashe Association.

J. O. GOODMAN, Com.

Discussed by J. O. Goodman, W. E. Hodgson, J. C, Goodman and W. M. Gilmore and adopted. [Following the disussion of this report, J. O. Goodman took forty five subscriptions for the Recorder, five for Charity and Children and seven for Home and Foreign Field.– clerk]

17. Report on Pastoral Support read:

Brethren:— We feel that the time has come that we mu t give more to the support of our Pastors. that they may be able to do their whole duty in these trying days. Let's not forget this important matter and put it over the top.

Submitted, David Burkett, C. C. Barker, com.

Discussed by Dave Burkett, E. C. Eller, J. C. Goodman, D. C. Severt, Mont Goodman. Guy Badger. G. M. Reeves, J. H. Wagoner, C. C. Barker. J. C. Denny, W. E. Carlton, W. E. Hodgson, Edward Shumake and C.Tucker and adopted. The majority of delegates present agreed to try and double Pastors Salary next year.

18 Report of committee on religious exercises read: They annonced Lester Blevins to conduct religious exercises at 9 A.M. on Wednesday.

16. Announcement of homes for messengers and visitors by R. C. Parsons. Adjourned to meet at 9:30 A. M. Wednesday.

Prayer by Rev. H. T. Penry.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION
Sept. 10, 1919.

20. The Association met according to adjournment. One hour was spent in devotional exercises conducted by Lester Blevins,

21. The proceedings of Tuesday's session were read by Clerk and adopted.

22. By motion the Clerk was instructed to have printed in the Minute the number of all men who served from Churches of the Ashe Association in the late war. The statistics to be furnished by Dr. S. L. Perkins.

23. Move and adopted to make the sitting of the Association only two days session and to convene the first day at 10 A. M.

24. Report of Committee on Digest Church Letters read and adopted.

REPORT on DIGEST of CHURCH LETTERS

From the reports of 32 churches your Committee begs to submit the following:

Value of church property, 21,635.00. Received by Baptism, 27, by letter, 16, by restoration, 6, total gain 49. Dismissed by letter, 28, by exclusion, 25, by death 23, total 76. net loss 27 Membership, males 815, females, 1284. total 2099. Financial; Pastors salaries 1,468,15. Building and repairing $2,505.00 Incidentals, $124.51. Sunday School expenses, $164.84. The poor, $205.57. Minute fund, $60.83. State Missions, $100.86. Home Missions, $68.36. Foreign Mission, $106.25, Sunday School Missions, $4.00. Orphanage, $409.-05. Christian Education, $12.00. Minister's relief, $35.00. Other objects, $199.21. Total 5,234,62.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Organizations, One.

Church, Beaver Creek. President, Mrs. J. O. Goodman,

Beaver Creek, N. C. No. of members. 7. State Mis. $2.50. Home Mis. $4.50. Other objects, $4.50 Total contrib. $16.00.

Fraternally submitted, L. H. Goodman, F. W. Testerman, J. W. Duncan, I. P. Barker. Com.

25. The Association by unanimous vote request the State and Home Board of Missions to extend the Territory of Rev. M. A. Adams so as to include the Ashe Association for at least one half his time.

26. Report on Temperance read;

Your Committee recommends and urges that all the members of the churches in the Ashe Association take a firm stand against the making or the use of intoxicating liquors in our bounds. Submitted, by the Clerk and Moderator because of the failure of Com. to report.

Discussed by Dr. S. L. Perkins, J. C. Goodman, Rev. R. D. Cross and adopted.

27. Reports on State, Home and Foreign Missions, Education, Orphanage and the Seventy Million Campaign read. After being discussed by Rev. R. D. Cross, were adopted.

Report, STATE MISSIONS

State Missions is to have the Gospel preached in the destitutions of the State, so all the people may hear the Gospel of Christ.

So we hope what the Baptists have undertaken will put the Gospel in every nook and corner in the State.

Submitted, J. P. Goodman, Com.

27a. Report, HOME MISSIONS

Divine blessings have rested upon the work of the Home Mission Board, located in Atlanta, during the past year. The Board faces the most gigantic task today in its history in helping to rebuild the world that has been ruined by war. Its opportunites and obligations have been greatly enlarged, and to meet these ever increasing demands, it is necessary for our churches to redouble their efforts.

Repectfully submitted, J. H. Wagoner, Com.

27b. Report, FOREIGN MISSIONS

Considering the many Missionaries already in the field to sustain and the great Reconstruction period through which

the world is passing, and realizing as we do that the church of God holds in its hands the happiness of man.

Let us faithfully discharge the duty we owe to the cause in this great emergency and opportunity that is now thrust upon us, while it is day ere the night comes and theopportunity lost. Let's earnestly pray and give liberally to the great campaign funds tha are being raised for this great cause.

Submitted, Coy Blackburn, Com.

27c. **Report on Education.**

We regard it necessary to equip and maintain our denominational school Colleges and Seminaries for the proper training of the Lord's called servants for the giving of the Gospel to all the world.

In view of the great need of preparation for chri tian service we insist that the Ashe Association will cheerfully do her part for christian education in the seventy five million campaign.. G. M. Reeves

28. Adjourned one hour for refreshments.

Prayer by Rev. P. H. Haire.

Wednesday Evening Session

The Association met accordlng to adjournment.....

Prayer by Geo. Hodgson.....

29 The Seventy Five Million Campaign was taken up again and discussed by Revs. W. M. Gilmore and Geo. M. Reeves.....

80. Report of Executive Committee read:..... **Report, Executive Committee.**

Your Executive Committee has endeavored to do some work among the seven delinquent Churches in the As ociation, but owing to the failure of the churches and individuals to send their pledges, we have falln short of what we might have done.

Three of the weak churches were visited by Rev, T. J. Day, and two by Rev. R. M. Burkett.

Some of these churches have called Pastor and represented at this session of the Association. Submitted,

W. E. Hodgson.

Following this report the Association recommended that Bro. Hodgson notify the delinquent churches to send in their pledges and pay the Brethren for their work.

Discu sed by W. E. Hodgson and adopted.

31. Report of Committee to nominate Executive Committee read and adopted.

3 . Reports on Orphanageand Sunday Schools read and discussed by Rev. W. M. Gilmore. A collection was taken for Orphanage amounting to $36.19. Reports were adopted.

Re port, on Orphanage

The Orphanage rests heavily on the hearts of ouh people. More than

while the world stood horrified and trembling in the ballast, and the war clouds spreading far and wide, and all nations were forced to line upon the great issue at stake. It seems fit and proper, as well as a duty for the Ashe Association to take notice of what its members have done in man power in this World's War, therefore I took it upon myself to write a letter of inquiry to all the churches of the Association enclosing an addressed stamped envelope for a prompt reply. The Association granted premission to print this in the minute, notwithstanding some of the ministers opposed it Two of the letters were returned unclaimed, no answers were received from seven, and twenty-five answered. And from this twenty-five these statistics are made up, which makes it incomplete.

256 members of the Ashe Association registered.
64 " " " " were sent to crmps.
43 " " " " " " " " Europe.
31 " " " " got into the battle line.
3 " " " " were killed in action

None were reported dying of disease.

Obids Church lost one (Edgar Parsons) who volunteered into the service, was killed at the front. Forest Home lost one (Charley Ashley) Zion Hill lost one [Willie Sheets] who were both killed at the front. It is to be regretted that all the churches did not make return so as to make these statistics complete.

Respectfully.

S. L. Perkins.

36 Adjourned to meet with Pleasant Home Missionery Baptist Church Tuesday after the first Sunday in September, 1920.

Prayer by Rev. R. D. Cross.

J. C. Goodman, Moderator.
J. W. Duncan, Clerk.

FINANCE REPORT

CHURCHES	STATE M	HOME M	FOREIGN M	MINUTE F	ORPHANAGE
Apple Grove	$3.00	$1.00	$1.00	$1.50	$5.00
Ball Mountain				2.60	
Baptist Home					
Beaver Creek	23.30			3.60	
Bethel	3.00	3.00	3.00	1.50	10.00
Big Flats				1.50	
Big Laurel					
Bristol				1.30	
Buffalo	5.00	5.00	5.00	3.00	
Clifton				1.21	
Forest Home	4.00	2.00	1.00	2.00	10.00
Friendship	3.50	2.00	2.00	2,50	
Glendale	1.00	1.00	1.00	.50	5.00
Healing Sprg's	2.00	3.00		6.50	
Jefferson				1.60	15.00
Landmark	3.65	3.00		3,35	2,25
Laurel knob				1.00	
Liberty Hill				2.00	
Long Branch				1.10	4.50
Meadow View				1.35	7.55
Mission Home	5.00	5.00	5.00	2.00	10.00
Mountain View				1.50	
New River	2.50	2.50		3.47	
Obids	1.00			.60	5.00
Oldfields		5.00	5.00	3.00	
Orin	5.50	5.60	5.65	1.50	
Peak Valley	1.00	1.00		.75	1.00
Phoenix	10.36	5.00		4.00	
Pilot Mountain	2.00			2.00	
Pleasant Hill				1.30	3,55
Pleasant Home				3.50	
Tuckerdale	3.00	3.00	2.00	3,10	
Valley Home				2...	
W. Jefferson				1...	10...
Zion Hill				1...	.50
Total.	78.91	47.10	30.65	63. 88	89.35

Grand total $328.26

W. T. Miller, J. G. Welch, J. E. Johnston, Com.

Report of Sunday School Convention
of the Ashe Association

The Sunday School Convention met with Pilot Mountain Church, Aug. 30th, and 31st, 1919. Introductory sermon was delivered by Rev. P. H. Haire.

The Convention was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. P. H. Haire and letters were read from Churches, as follows: Pilot Mountain, Bethel, Friendship and Big Flats. After the reading of th letters, the Moderator appointed the following Committies:

Time, Place and Preacher for next Convention: T. K. Luther, A. M. Harless, F. L. Houck and S. H. Miller. Next, reading of program for this session: C. C. Phillips, John C. Phillips, Deacons of Pilot Mountain Ch.

Adjourned one hour for noon recess.

The Conv.entio[n] reassembled at 1:00 P. M.

After songs, the Moderator called upon Brethren from South Fork Church, of the Three Fork Association: F. P. McGuireand W. M. Howell who made talks and asked for seat in the Convention.

Then the following subjects were discussed: 1. The opportunity of Christians to take the advantage of the situation.

2. The worlds need of Christ in the present crisis.

3. How ought we to face the future.

Discussed by Brethren P. H. Haire, F. P. McGuire, W. N. Howell, R. C. Parsons, F. L. Houck, C. Tucker,F. F. Faw and John Phillips.

Sermon to be preached at 7 P. M. Saturday..

Annual sermon was preached at 11 A. M. Sunday by Rev. P. H. Haire, and the Sunday School lesson was well discussed.

The Committee on time, place and pracher reprted the following:

Place, Friendship. Time,..... Preacher, Rev. P. H. Haire.

A collection was taken and $4.28 was raised for Minute funds.

Rev. P. H. Haire, **Moderator.**

L. C. Phillips, **Clerk.**

Treasurer's Report

Beginning at the close of Association 1919

Receceived of Finance Committee: State Missions	$78.91	
Total received for State Missions,		**$78.91**
Received of Finance Committee: Home Missions	$47.10	
Total received for Home Missions,		**$47.10**
Received of Finance Committe: Foreign Missions,	$30.65	
Total received for Foreign Missions		**$30.65**
Received for Finance Committee: for Orphanage	$89.35	
" of M. M. Blevins, last year pledge	5.00	
of Mrs. M. M. Blevins, " " " " "	1.00	
of Miss Nell Blevins, " " "	1.00	
" " from public collection at Association	36.19	
Total received for Orphanage,		**$132.54**
Received of Finance Committee: Minute Fund	$63.83	
" " " " surplus	2.50	
" from public collection at Association and indviduals,	14.92	
Total received for Minuts		**$81.25**

Disbursements

Paid to Walters Durham for Stat Missions	$78.91
" " " " Hom Missions	$47.10
" " " " " Foreign Missions	$30.65
Paid to F B. Hamrick, Treas. Orphanage,	$132.54
Total paid out	**$289.20**
Reserved for Clerical services and postage	$20.00
Paid Jefferson Jon Office for printing Minutes	$50 70

J. W. DUNCAN, Treasuer

TABLE 1.--STATISTICAL

CHURCHES	PASTORS	P. O.	CLERKS	P. O.		Time of Preaching	Val. of Ch. Property	Received by Baptism	Rec'd. by letter	Restored.	Lost by let.	Excluded	Died	No. Males	Females	Total memb'ship
Apple Grove—	E M Blevins	Green Cove, Va.	H A Miller	Park,	Va.	3	$ 600		1	1			2	30	75	105
Ball Mountain—	P H Haire	Fleetwood, N C	J W Duncan	Beaver Creek	N C	1	1000					4		25	41	66
Baptist Home—	Not represented by letter or messengers															
Beaver Creek—	P E Downs, sup.		J O Goodman	"	"	3	1000					2		23	26	49
Bethel—	Ed O Miller	Glendale Sp'gs	" C W Phillips	"	"	2	200		1		1		2	36	50	86
Big Flats—	W E Carlton	Baldwin	" R C Parsons	Todd	"	3	1000						1	19	38	57
Big Laurel—	Not represented															
Bristol—	T J Day	Warrensville	" J W Day	Smethport	"	3	100		6			1	1	13	21	34
Buffalo--	W H Micheal	Trade	Tenn D H Campbell	Beaver Creek	"	4	700	2			1	1		41	58	99
Clifton—	R M Burkett	Jefferson	N C Edward Shumake	Clifton	"	3	800									
Forest Home—	T J Day	Warrensville	" J H Ashley	Warrensville	"	3	500					2		2	17	21	38
Friendship—	W E Carlton	Baldwin	" E F Marsh	Jefferson	"	4	800	5	2				2	38	67	105
Glendale—	Ed O Miller	Glendale Sp'ngs	" J C Bowlin	Glendale Sp'gs	"	3	1000							22	42	64
Healing Sp'gs—	J O Spencer	Grassy Creek	" W H Wiles	Crumpler	"	1	500		1			1		26	43	69
Jefferson—	P E Downs, sup.	Casar	" F W Testerman	Jefferson	"	4	700				1		1	39	43	82
Landmark---	W E Denny	Grassy Creek	" R C Barker	Grassy Creek	"	4	1100	4				5		49	90	139
Liberty Hill—	J O Spencer	" "	" J H Wagoner	Nathans Ck	"	4	385		1					32	41	73
Long Branch—	C L Styke	Bina	" J G Welch	Lansing	"	3	500						1	18	26	44
Meadow View—	Coy Blackburn	Piney Ck	" L D Barker	Grassy Creek	"	1	900				1			17	23	40
Mission Home—	T M Hayse	Nathans Ck	" J E Johnston	Garren	"	1	600		2		1			43	52	95
Mountain View—	Jno A Davis	Grayson	" John Coldiron	Dandy	"	1	300				1		1	11	16	27
New River—	S C Blackburn	Piney Ck	" W A Hudler	Crumpler	"	3	800	7	1				1	39	62	101

Obids—	Ed O Miller	Glendale Sp	D C Severt	Obids	"	3	1000	1		1		2	20	52	72
Oldfields—	C L Styke	Bina	" A H Church	Idlewild	"	4	300			8		3	61	93	154
Orion—	W E Carlton	Baldwin	" J F Dillard	Orion	"	1	1000	1	1			1	24	39	63
Peak Valley—	Roscoe Trivett	Tamarack	" W H Tyre	Creston	"	3	350						12	28	40
Phœnix—	T F Roberts	Alvarado Va	H A Eller	Bina	"	2	1000		2		1		32	34	66
Pilot Mountain—	P H Haire	Fleetwood NC	C Tucker	W Riverside	"	4	300					1	15	35	50
Pleasant Hill—	E M Blevins	Green Cove, Va	Treley Miller	Park Va		4	800	1		1	1		21	33	54
Pleasant Home—	Coy Blackburn	Piney Ck N C	Clay Hudler	Grassy Creek	"	2	800	5		10	3		30	67	97
Tuckerdale—	W E Denny	Grassy Ck	" R R Tucker	Tuckerdale	"	2	1200	3	1		2		11	22	33
Valley Home—	W H Micheal	Trade Tenn	D R Jones	Toliver	"	1					2		28	33	61
West Jefferson—	P E Downs, sup	Casar	" Mrs J C Gambill	W J'ff'son	"		1500				2		3	5	8
Zion Hill—			W H Sheets	Index	"							2	20	8	28
						$21,635.		27	16	6	28	25	23	815	1284	2099

Table 2--Financial

	Pastor's Salary	Building & Repairs	Incidentals	S.S. Expenses	The Poor	Minute Fund	State Missons	Home Missons	Foreign Missons	S.S Missons	Orphanage	Christian Education	Other Objects	TOTAL
Apple Grove	23.50		10.00	6.37		1.50	3.00	1.00	1.00		5.00			$51.37
Ball Mountain	72.50		4.08	7.	1,	2.60	4.	2.60			33.88		61.	188.66
Baptist Home	Not represented,													
Beaver Creek	250.					3.60	23.30	6,	10.		26.		I6.	334.90
Bethel			2.50	4.30		1.50	3.	3,	3.		10.			27.30
Big Flats	50.25	125.	.72	6.12	9.50	1.50		5.10	5.		27.55		6.	236.74
Big Laurel	Not represented.													
Bristol	5.					1,30								6.30
Buffalo	101.	200.	2.	I1.11	26.79	2.50	5.	5.	5.		38.49	12.	38.20	447,09
Clifton						1.21								1.21
Forest Home	50.					2.	4.	2.	1.		10.			69.00
Friendship	51.			6.81		2.50	3.50	2.	2.	4.	9,		27.66	108.47
Glendale	9.40			4.06	2.	.50	1.	1.	1.		5.			23.96
Healing Sprg's	28.75					1.50	2.	3.			8.			43.25
Jefferson	17.50					1.60					15.			34.10
Landmark	16.92					3.35	8.80	3,	5,		24.50			61.57
Liberty Hill	22.77					2.	3	2,	1.		20.62		29.55	80.54
Long Branch	25	150				1.10					5			181.10

Meadow View	30.					1.35						7.55			41.35
Mission Home	111.83			5.		2.	5.	5.	5.			10.			143.83
Mountain View				2.		1.50									3.50
New River	40.90			1.27	112 61	3.47	2.50	2.50				21.25		22.	206 50
Obids	13.			3.25		.60						5.		1.	22.85
Oldfields						3.	10.	5.	5.			15.		5.	43.
Orion	60.		80.	4.38	10.	1.50	5.60	5.60	5.65			12.81		21.	206.54
Peak Valley	21.		1	5.		.75	1.	1.				1.			30.75
Phoenix	125.			5.21	20.	4.	10.36	5.	18.02			18.			205.59
Pilot Mountain	29.50			4.			2.	4.56	4.			6.60			50.66
Pleasant Hill	14.50					1.30						3.55			19.35
Pleasant Home	48.					3.50		3.	3.			30.25			87.75
Tuckerdale	65.	1200.		3.50	15.67	3.10	3.	3.	2.			10.		13.	1358.72
Valley Home	54.10	800.		4.67		2.									860.77
W. Jefferson	137.12	30.	15.	90.		1.			19.58			10.			302.70
Zion Hill	1.50					1.						.50			3.
	1468.15	2505.00	124 51	164.84	205 57	60.83	100 06	68.36	106 25	4.00		409 05	12.00	240 21	5241 62

1.50 was received of Mrs. C. M. Graybeal for Minute fund.

TABLE 1.--SUNDAY SCHOOLS

CHURCHES	SUPT.	P. O.	SEC'Y	P. O.	No. Schools	Officers and Teachers	Pubils	Total Enrollment	Church members in S. S.	Months Open	Institute from School	School Expenses	Missions	Orphanage	Total Contributions
Apple Grove—	J R Hurley	Park, Va.	Jas M Miller	Park, Va.	1	5	55	60	13	6		13.50			13.50
Ball Mountain—	W C Trivett	Beaver Ck, N C	Linnie Laurence	Beaver Ck, N C	1	4	56	60	24	12		7.00		33 88	40.88
Baptist Home—	Not represented														
Beaver Creek—	J C Goodman	" " "	Bertha Goodman	" " "	1	3	37	40	15	12		6.00		26.00	32 00
Bethel—	T H Brown	Oval "	Dell Goodman	" " "	1	7	66	73	24	6		4.30			4 30
Big Flats—	R C Parsons	Todd "	Minnie Houch	Fleetwood "	1	6	65	71	15	12		8.07			8.07
Big Laurel—	Not represented														
Bristol—															
Buffalo--	W E Hodgson	Smethport "	T H Ray	Smethport "	1	8	54	62	20	12		11.11		9.44	20 55
Clifton—															
Forest Home—															
Friendship—	David Burkett	Jefferson "	W W Burkett	Jefferson "	1	6	60	127	40	6		6.81	4 00		10.81
Glendale—	W. T. Perkins	Glendale Sp'ngs	I L Miller	Glendale Sp'gs	1	5	45	70	25	6		4.06			4.06
Healing Sp'gs—															
Jefferson—	F W Testerman	Jefferson "	Mrs F W Testerman	Jef'son "	1	5	49	54	10	9		6 15			6.15
Landmark---	W F Barker	Grassy Ck "	Dora Baldwin	Grassy Ck "	1	3	109	112	40	8					
Liberty Hill—															
Long Branch—	Ambrose Miller	Edison "	E Z Sexton	Edison "	1	4	25	29	18	1½					
Meadow View—															
Mission Home—	J T Bowen	Fleetwood "	J E Johnston	Garren "	1	4	40	50	15	6		5.00			5.00

New River—	W P Colvard	Weaversf'd	"	W A Hudler	Crumpler	"	1	7	53	60	20	6	1.27		1.27
Obids—	D H Burgess	Obids	"	Heggie Parsons	Obids	"	1	4	50	54	24	8	3 25		3.25
Oldfields—															
Orion—	W C Absher	Orion	"	W J Bare	Orion	"	1	6	52	61	22	9	4.38	15.82	12.81 33.01
Peak Valley—	W H Tyre	Creston	,,	W H Tyre	Creston	"	1	5	30	35			5 00	1.00	1.00 7.00
Phœnix—	E C Eller	Bina	"	Gertrude Eller	Bina	"	2	7	47	54	29	12	5.21		18.00 23.21
Pilot Mountain—															
Pleasant Hill—															
Pleasant Home—	M T Blevins	Grassy Ck	"	Clay Hudler	Grassy Creek	"	1	7	41	48	30		8.84		8.84
Tuckerdale—	W H Darnell	Tuckerdale	"	Rose Tucker	Tuckerdale	"	1	3	56	59	15	5	3.50		3.50
Valley Home—	J N Stanberry	Toliver	"	L.M Roark	Toliver	"	1	8	91	99	30	9	4 67		4.67
West Jefferson—	Mrs J C Gambill	W J'ff'son		Ethel Tucker	W Jefferson	"	1	6		60	3	12	90.60	19 58	10.00 119.58
Zion Hill—															
							22	111	1066	1321	429		184.72	40.49	111.13 336.15

OBITUARIES

BRO. Romulus Pettigrew Witherspoon, was born Jan. 30, 1876, died Dec, 11, 1918. Age 42 years ,10 months and 19 days. A wife, and four children (a boy and three girls) father, two brothers and six sisters survive him. His father was a Confederate Soldier and served through the war and was twice wounded.

He married Miss Ella Burkett, the daughter of C. B. Burkett, April 27 1902. Was brought up a Methodist, and joined the Methodist Church at Orion in 1901. In 1905 he joined the Friendship Missionary Baptist Church and remained a member in good standing. He was one of the most active leading members of Friendship Church, and the best payer to the cause among all the members. He was ordained Deacon in 1916. Rarely failed to be at his post of duty. Was usually elected a delegate to the Association.

He was a prosprrous, upright citizen, leaving his finances in good shape. Was a Free Mason in good standing, being initiated into that order in 1900 Served in the highest office of his Lodge, being Worshipful Master for 3 years. In his death his wife lost one of the best of husbands, th children one of the best of fathers, the neighborhood, County and State, one of best of citizens. He was a public spirited citizen and never hesitated in supporting all measures that were a benefit to the public..

Bro. Lonzo Bare, son of Newton and Ann Bare, was born Aug. 3, 1888, and died Dec. 6, 1918, age 30 years, 4 months and 3 days. He had an attact of Grippe, followed later by Pneumonia, which killed him. He married Miss Bessie Liddle in Dec. 1913. There were born to them 3 children, two of whom are living. His family have lost a loving husband and father, and the church a faithful member, and the country a good citizen. He profeessed religion and joined the Glendale Baptist Church in 1914, and lived a devoted member. Was elected and ordained Deacon of th church. Later he moved near Obids Church and consequently moved his membership to Obids Church.

In his death his loved ones and friends have an unmeasured loss. He has crossed the river of death to join the brother and sister who have preceeded him, and are waiting till all meet again.

A precious one from us is gone,
A voice we loved is still,
A place is vacant in our home,
Which can never be filled
Rest in peaceful slumber,
Dearest brother, husband and son,
When our pilgrimage on earth is o're
We shall join you in that celestial city above.

His body was laid to rest in Obids Church Cemetary near his brothr and little daughtr. His little daughter, Josiphene, who was about three years old, died of the same that killed hr father.

Bro. Daniel Burkett, was perhaps the oldest, or at least one of the oldest men in the County at his death. He was born Nov. 26, 1818, and died July 17, 1919 at the ageof 100 years, 7 months, and 16 days. He was a farmer all his life, was born and died in the same residence, near West Jefferson, N. C. He was married to Miss Nancy Johnston, Dec.11,1847, and settled in the wild woods something over a mile below his father's place at what is now known as the Smithdeal place, living there 13 years and then moved back to the old homestead, wherehe spent the remainder of his long life. His wife died in 1876. He lived the remainder of his, being 43 years, a widower. When a young man the panther, bear, wildcat, raccoon and the baeutiful wild turkey roamed the mountains, hills and valleys of Ash eCounty, he was nt a hunter, but at one time killed a wild deer with a rock,finding it where dogs had chased it into a swamp near the road.

His grandfather was Dutch, or in other words a Hollander, the country where the once proud, hauty Kaiser, is now billeted. He came in t this country and settled the Calvin Graybeal placeawhile after the Revolutionary War, he raised a very large family.

David Burkett, the father of Daniel, died while Daniel was a small child leaving a young widow who survived him over 60 years, remaining a widow. Bro. Daniel had one brother and no sister. He was raised to talk nothing but Dutch till 11 years old. When a young man he was not healthy and strong.

He professed religion and joined the old Primitive Baptist Church, which stood near Jefferson, remaining a member of that church till it went down. When the Missionery Baptist Church was organized he went in as a charter member, and remained a member in good standing. He was a Deacon of the Jefferson Missionary Baptist Church for many years before his death, and attended the church regular as long as he was able For 11 years previous to his death was never able to stand on his feet.

He was a Whig in politics till the party went down, then swang into the Democratic party. Cast his first presidential vote for William Henry Harrison, for President and his last Presidential vote for President Wilson, never missing but one Presidential vote in all those long years. He was the father of 11 children, of whom six are now living, has 97 descendents living, and lived to see his fifth generation.

S. L. Perkins

Mary Susanna Clary was born June 8, 1845, died Aug. 27, 1919. age 69 years 2 months and 19 days. Married J. A. Johuson, Jan. 4, 1866. Professed religion and joined the Baptist Church, Jan. 4, 1860.

Sidney Tucker was born in Grayson County Va. March 13, 1849, and died March 13, 1919, age 70 years. Was married to Melvina Blevins, March 9, 1875. He professed religion and joined Apple Grove Missionary Baptist Church in Feb.1877 and lived a devoted member, missing very few of his church meeings in all his 42 years membership.

Willie H. Sheets, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Horton Shets, was born in Ashe County, N. C. March 31, 1895, and was killed on the battle field in France, Aug. 4, 1918. Age 23 years, 4 months and four days. He answered the call for defnse and upon a foreign soil across th sea, many thousands of miles from all loved ones to extend a loving hand, there he gave his life that the world might enjoy the liberty of our fathers.

He joined the Missionary Baptist Church at Zion Hill, Feb. 10, 1910; and lived a consistent member.

Roscoe Isham Thompson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Isham Thompson, of Grassy Creek, N. C. was born April 9, 1894.

He was called into the service of his country and taken o France, while crossing he Atlantic Ocean in Sept. 1918, he accepted Christ Jesus as his Savior and wrote the good news to his parents at home.

After landing at St. Nazaire, France, he was strickn with pneumonia and died in November 1918, being 24 years, 7 monhs and 20 daysold. He is survived by his wife (Bertha M. Deboard) Thompson, one son, Joseph Roscoe, father, mother, three brothers and two sistres.

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CONSTITUTION

Art. 1. This body shall be called tne Ashe Association.

2. The object of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the gospel in our bounds, and in all the world, and in this work the Association will co-operate with the Baptist Convention of North Carolina.

3. The members of this body shall be all the ordained minister of the churches of this Association, and three delegates from each church, who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment, and givin statistics of the membership an dwork of the church.

4. At each annual session of the body there shall be elected moderator, clerk and treasurer in such way as the Association ma direct. The tow last offices may be held by the same brother.

5. The moderator shall preside at the meetings, preserve orde appoint committies, and preform such other duties as are required c presiding officers.

6. The clerk shall keep correct record of the proceedings of th body, and superintend the printing and distribution to the churche the proceedings of the body.

7. The treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent to the Associ tion, to pay them out as the association may direct, and make a repo at each annual esssion.

8. The Association shall hold an annual meeting at such time a place may be agreed upon.

9. At each annual meeting there shall be appointed an excuti committee or five brethren, who shall look after the destituti the bounds of this association, and co-operate with the State Missi Board of the Baptist State Convention, making the next sessi a report of the work done and all the general State Mission work.

10. The Association shall convene annually on Tuesday after t first Sunday in September. At each annual session there shall be a pointed committies to make reports to the ensuing session in the t lowing subjects to-wit: State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign M sions, Pastoral Support, Ministerial Education, Baptist Orphanage, Bi cal Recorder, Temperance, Digest, Church Letters, Finance, Place a Preacher for next Association.

11. Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by so brother previously appointed.

12. The Association will not retain in permanent fellowship Church that rretains in its fellowship any member who is disorde in doctrine or pratice, or who makes, sells, or in way deals in ard spirits as a beverage.

13. This Constitution may be amended by a vote of two thirds of members present at any annual session.

ABSTRACTS OF PRINCIPLES

1. We belive in one only true and living God, and that there are three persons in the God head, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, and that these three are one.

2. We believe that the Bible, the New and Old Testament, is the word of God, and the only rule of faith and pratice.

3. We believe in the impotency of man and the sovereignty of God.

4. We believe that salvation is by Grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituter by Jesus Christ to be practiced only by believers in their instituded by Jesus Christ to be practiced only by believers in their scriptual order.

6. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator and that only those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and doctrine should take the Lord's Supper.

7. We believe in the final perseverence of the saints in grace to Glory.

8. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment.

9. We believe that the existnece of the righteous and the wicked will both be of eternal duration, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

RULES OF ORDER

1. Every session shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. When the Moderator calls the house to order every member shall at once take his seat.

3. When a memberr wishes to speak he shall rise and address the Moderator and not proceed till he is recognized.

4. No member shall speak more than twice on any subject except by permission of the body.

5. No member shall leave the body during the session without permission of the Moderator.

6. It will be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold private conversation while the Moderator is speaking.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

FIRST DAY, 10 A. M.

1. Introductory sermon.
2. Organization.
3. Roll call of Churches and reception of new Churches.
4. Invitation to Visitors.
5. Reading of Constitution, Abstract of Principles and Rules of Order.
6. Appointment of Committies.

MINUTE OF THE ASHE ASSOCIATION

FIRST DAY, 1 P. M.

1. Report on Bibical Recorder.
2. Report in Sunday Schools and Colportage.
3. Report on Pastoral Support.
4. Rport on Temperance.
5. Report on Education.
6. Report on Religious Exercises.
7. Assignment of homes for messengers and visitors.

SECOND DAY, 9 A. M.

1. Devotional Exercises.
2. Report on place and preacher.
3. Report of Committee on Digest of Church Letters.
4. Report on State, Home, and Foreign Missions.

SECOND DAY, 1 P. M.

1. Report of Committee on Finance.
2. Report on naming Executive Committee.
3. Report on Orphanage.
4. Report on Resolutions.
5. Adjournmnt.

Directors of the Ashe Association

Prof. J. C. Goodman, Moderator, ... Beaver Creek. N.
James Eller, Vice-President, ... Bina, N.
J. W. Duncan, Clerk and Treasurer ..... Beaver Creek, N.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

C. W. Phillips, ... Beaver Creek, N.
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MESSENGERS PRESENT AT ASSOCIATION

Apple Grove—By letter only
Ball-Mountain—W. E. Carlton, J. W. Duncan
Baptist Home—By letter only
Beaver Creek—J. C. Goodman, J. O. Goodman
Bethel--C. W. Phillips
Big Flats—R. C. Parsons, F. L. Houck, Rev. P. H. Haire
Big Laurel—Not represented by lettter or Messenger
Bristol—By letter only
Buffalo—W. T. Harless, W. A. Campbell, Ballard Harless
Clifton—By letter only
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Friendship—Rev. R. M. Burkett
Glendale—Rev. Ed O. Miller
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Jefferson—J. W. Blevins, F. W. Testerman
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Laurel Knob—R. A. Stephens, W. M. Wilcox, J. F. Pearsons
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Meadow View—C. C. Barker
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Mountain View—J. S. Denney
New River—John Debord, J. A. Parsons, W. D. Brown
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Tuckerdale—W. H. Darnell, R. L. Hodges, Marcus Combs
Valley Home—By letter only
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Zion Hill—By lettel only

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Orphanage—Rev. P. H. Haire, R. C. Parsons
Temperance—C. C. Parker, and Clay Hudler
Digest Church Letters—J. G. Welch, F. W. Testerman, L. H. Goodman
Obituaries—Dr. S. L. Perkins
Sunday Schools—H. A. Eller
Ministerial Relief—J. H. Wagoner

PROCEEDINGS

Grassy Creek, N. C.,
Tuesday September. 7th, 1920.

The Ashe Association met in its 34th, annual session with Pleasant ome Missionary Baptist Church at 10 A. M. and the proceedings were follows:

1. The Introductory Sermon was preached by Rev. W. E. Carlton xt Eccl. 3: 1. "To everything there is a season and a time every purpose under heaven." Prayer by S. C. Blackburn.

2. Election of officers by acclamation resulting in the re-election Prof. J. C. Goodman, Moderator and J. W. Duncan, Clerk and reasurer.

3. Roll call of Churches and 34 handed in letters, one Church, gLaurel did not report by letter or messengers.

4. Upon invitation to visitors, C. J. Carter and S. T. Spencer of ock Castle Association, W. Va., Rev. Daniel Blackburn of New River ssociation Va., and Rev. M. A. Adams, Field worker for State and ome Board, reported themselves and were seated with the body.

5. Roll call of standing Committies. Appointment of absentees were nounced by the Moderator asa follows: For resolutions, Revs. T. G. anney, and T, M. Hayes, Finance, Henry Wagoner, J. G. Welch and W. Philips; Digest Church letters, F. W. Testersman, J. G. Welch id J. W. Duncan; For place and Preacher for next Association, R. T. eats, John C. Phillips. J. W. Barr, J. W. King, Claud Rhodes, R. A. tevens, W. M. Wilcox, J. F. Pearson; To name executive Committe, W. E. Denney C. W. Phillips, E. D. [illegible]. (The report) E. L. ucker, Tuckerdale, F. W. Testerman, Jefferson, C. W. Phillips, Jefferson F. Dillard, Orion, J. H. Ashely, Warrensville. Committee on Religious xercises. Delegates and Pastor of Pleasant Home Church, S. C. Blackburn ppointment of absentees on Standing Committee, Rev. M. A. Adams for oreign Mission, J. W Barr, J. W. King, Claud Rhodes for Home Mission tate Misions, W. H. Darnell, R. L. Hodges, Marcus Combs.

6. Report on Bibical Recorder, read by J. O. Goodman as follows: Your Committee recommends that he will never be satisfied until the ecorder visits every home in the Ashe Association". Discussed by J. O oodman,Rev. M. A. Adams adopted, subscriptions taken for Bibical ecorder 4. For Home and Foreign Fields 19, For Charity and Children 0.

7. Adjourned 1 hour for refreshments.

8. Assembling of Association. Prayer by Rev. W. E. Denny

9. Report on Sunday School read by J. G. Welch

rethern:—We the Committe submit the following report on Sunday chools. A Sunday School in a community is like a tree planted by he river of waters which brings forth fruit in its season. It is a religious enter for the community and the church. Wherever we find a live and

active Sunday school we will find an active working church. We ho that every church willl organize a good Sunday School and put forth eve effort to educate the people in religious work.

This is one of the first places to commence the worrk of ministr education as we believe.

"Train up the child in the way it should go and when it gets old will no depart from it".

In our country every body is striving to get an education in order make a living in the world. Why not educate and enlighten the mi and soul for the Kingdom of God. We believe this a question of mu more vital importance.

The Sunday School is the place to begin the work, because in it id and principals will be instilled in the minds and hearts of children older ones alike that will last until dawn of a better day, where shall know as we are known.

So let us all take up courage and enter into the Sunday School w with greater energy than ever before and make the next y the best one in all the past.

Respectfully submitted,
J. G. Welch, Committee.

Discussed by R. C. Parsons, W. M. Wilcox, M. A. Adams, T. G. Nan W. E. Carlton. Report adopted.

10. Report on Pastoral Support read by Rev. Coy Blackburn: Brethren of the Ashe Association:—The time is here when we sh remember that it cost our Pastors as much or more to provide themsel and family's with a decent living during the present crisis than iit costs Which is about five times what it cost before the World War, and great demand for better equiped and more efficient services from Pastors make it absolutely necessary tthat they should have their sala greatly advanced and let us take another step forward that our Lord master may be honored and glorified in this.

Submitted,
W. E. Hodgson, Damascus, Va.

Discussed by W.M. Wilcox, Rev, M. A. Adams, J. C. Goodman, C Carter Rev. T. M. Hayes, Rev. P. H. Haire, Rev. W. E. Carlton, Rev. C Cope, Report adopted.

11. Report on Temperance read by Rev. Coy Blackburn

Touch not taste not handle not the unclean thing sayeth thee

Submitted, Coy Blackburn, Comm

Discussed by Rev. M. A. Adams, T. G. Nanney, T. M. Hayes, Goodman, W. F. Barker, Report adopted.

12. By motion the Association ordered the Clerk to pay Rev. Day $9.33 and R. M. Burkett $9.33 bal. mission money in his hand work they had done at some weak churches in the Association.

13. Report on Orphanage read by Rev. P. H. Haire,

The Orphanage rests heavily on the hearts our people. More than 525 boys and girls are growing into honorable manhood and womanhood under its benign influence. Its record is rich in helpful service; our people are satisfied.

We feel more keenly with each passing year our obligation to the children who cry to us for help and friendship. And as this obligation is more clearly seen and felt, we the more gladly and generously discharge it.

And this is well, for the enormous and outrageous price that we are obliged to pay for every household necessity makes it necessary to increase the current fund in order to keep our beloved Institution out of bondage and peril of debt.

Furthermore the pressure for admittance from boys and girls on the outside grows stronger day by day. Hundreds of homeless children utterly helpless and dependent clamor at the doors. The Lord has poured material things upon us. Our barns are filled with plenty and our presses burst out with new wine. We are well able to heed the cry of these children, and we must heed it or suffer ourselves.

To give relief to this army of needy children we must largely increase our current funds. What comes into the treasury barely covers the cost of supporting those within the Walls of the Orphanage.

We have many children here who might be cared for by their mothers, if a little help were supplied to them by the communities from which they come. The welfare workers of the State, with Mr Roland F. Beasly at their heads are trying to hold these households entact. We would give our hearty endorsement to this agency of help and blessing then make more room in the Orphanage forthose who have neither mother nor father but are wholly dependent upon the institution for this care and training.

Your committee would recommend:

(1) The plan for setting apart one day for the orphanage at or near Thanksgiving by every man, woman and child in this association.

(2) A monthly contribution from every Sunday School in this Association.

(3) A club of Chairty and Children in the well organized Sunday Schools with an individual copy as many others as possible.

Respectfully submmitted,

P. H. Haire.

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14. Report on religious exercises. They report: Rev. T. G. Nanney preached at the stand at 2 P.M, Text Subject, "The cost of Dicipleship" 2nd Samuel 24: 24, and that Rev. M. A. Adams preach at church at night Text Ephesians 2-8-9-10 and Rev. R. M. Burkett conduct religious exercises at 9 A. M. Wednesday.

15. Announcement of hours for messengers and visitors by Rev. S. C. Blackburn. Adjournment to meet at 9 A.M. Wednesday, Prayer by Rev. T. G. Nanney.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION.

16. The Association met according to adjournment one hour was spent in devotional exercises conducted by Rev. R. M. Burkett.

17. The proceedings of Tuesday's session were read by clerk and adopted.

18. Report on 75 Million Campaign by J. C. Goodman::

The Baptist State Convention asked the Ashe Association to make an effort to raise $6000,00 six thousands dollars on the 75 Million Dollar Campaign. The Association decided to try to raise $10000,00 ten thousand dollars in the five years or about $5.00 five dollars per member on an average. Through the help and cooperation of our people the sum of $10576.00 ten thousand five seventy six dollars was pledged to be paid within the five years ending Oct. 1924. Following is a list of the churches and their pledges:

Apple Grove	
Ball Mountain	$547.50
Baptist Home	
Beaver Creek	744.00
Behtel	590.00
Big Flats	513.00
Big Laurel	
Bristol	
Buffalo	928.00
Clifton	250.00
Forest Home	75.00
Friendship	313.00
Glendale	41.25
Healing Spirings	333.00
Jefferson	400.00
Landmark	132.50
Laurel Knob	331.25
Liberty Hill	300.00
Long Branch	125.00
Meadow View	250.00
Mission Home	412.50

Mountain View	
New River	1067.50
Obids	253.00
Oldfields	295.00
Orion	500.00
Peak Valley	152.00
Phoenix	550.00
Pilot Mountain	100.00
Plesant Hilll	
Pleasant Home	413.00
Tucker Dale	230.00
Valley Home	101.50
West Jefferson	551.00
Zion Hill	

INDIVIDUALS

Jonh Ballou	$10|00
W. C. Absher	5.00
Total	$10,576.00

The churches not subscribing will be given an opportunity later to do what they will. The chuches that have subscribed are earnestly requested to keep in touch with this work and see to it that all the above pledges are made good as far as possible.

J. C. Goodman, Director.

Discussed by M. A. Adams, J. C. Goodman, R. M. Burkett, J. O. Goodman, T. G. Nanney and T. M. Hayes, moved and that report be adopted.

18.(a) Committee on religious exercises announcement that Rev. P. H. Haire preach at Stand at 11.30 P.M. ,

18 (b) Report on Ministers relief by J. H. Wagoner read and adopted.

Our Baptist Ministers Relief Board was organized about 30 years ago and has met with good success all through these years being able to take care of the needs of this work in a very satisfactory way. This is one of the objects of our denomination that appeals to the hearts of our people wherever presented. Since the 75 Million Campaign has gone over the top and 300.000 is our States share to this object the Ministers Relief Board is in a position to do more efficient work than ever before

Respectfully submitted,
J. H. Wagoner Com.

19. Report on Education read by W. E. Denney:

Seeing the great need of a more educated mminstry, we prayerfully urge that all our young ministers who possibly can avail themselves of a good bible education in order that they may become more able to combat the powers of darkness that are closing in upon us.

God says through his prophet Hosea, my people are destroyed for lack of knowledge. So destruction comes for lack of knowledge and unless the teachers are sufficiently equiped our faith that we have so earnestly contended for is in danger of being detroyed among many of our brethern by strange and false teachings that are coming upon us. Many are already here.

Paul says study to show thy self approved unto God etc, theerfore we should study Gods word in order that we may have that spiritual power that is necessary for us to have in the preaching of Gods word.

We believe in ministeral Education, but education without religion is simply painting rotten wood, therefore if we are called into the work of the ministry the first thing we should do is to furnish ourselves with a knowledge of Gods word. The best place to obtain that knowledge is in a good bible school.

Brethern let us as a great Baptist people see that our young ministers are properly educaed for the rgeat work that lies before them. Let us think for a moment what these things means in the cause of our master. Never was there such a great need fo the plain truths to be set forth as now I trust the brethern will awake more fully to those gospel truths and do more for the young ministery then ever before. Is this not a cause?

W. E. Denney, Com.

The Report on Foreign Missions read by M. A. Adams.

The close of the world war has opened fields that hitherto have been closed and this leaves an unbonded obligation on our people to carry out the command of our Saviour to go in to all the world and preach the gospel to every creature.

The next twenty-five years will set the seal of the next five hundred in our foreign mission work. Never before have we faced such crisis as now. We earnestly urge all of our people to rise in their might, in this their great day of opportunity and put forth their every effort to meet their obligation. The Sailing of Empress of Japan, in August laden with Baptist Missionaries, makes a great step forward. Never before has a missionary ship sailed the waters in the history of the world. We earnestly urge the collection in full of all amounts pledged during the 75 Million Campaign, so that the work may be greatly sustained and enlarged Home and Foreign fields and the tracts furnished by our board will furnish much much need information about our work. A liberal use of these is commended

M. A. Adams, Com.

19b Report on Home Mission read by Claude Rhodes:

The Home Board of the Southern Baptist Convention located in Atlanta, Georgia, is face to face with a gigantic task because of the unparallelled opportunities brought to light by the great war.

The day has fully come when all true Baptists should rally to this and all other departments of our work and thus fulfill, in a measure the Great

Command of our Lord whn he said "Go ye int oall the world and preach the Gospel to every Creature."

J. W. Barr.
J. W. Ki...
Claude Rhodes, Com.

19c Report on State Missions read by M. A. Adams:

State Missions are now by the Baptist of North Carolina means a great deal more than formerly. It is quite varied. It now fosters, Evangelization, Education, Our Young People, Sunday School, Woman's work, Mobile School, and our Enlistment work. It will be seen at a glance that the outlay both in workers and money will necessarially have to be on a much larger scale then formerly. The 75 Million Campaign has made it possible to operate on a much larger basis thn would have been possible other wise. We regret very deeply that our Sec. Walter N. Johnson has resigned at the end of this conventional year will enter the other work. We most heartily commend the work of State Mission to all of our churches and ask he hearty support for the coming year. The Committee.

Moved and seconded that these reports be adopted, discussed by Rev. M. A. Adams.

20. Report on places and Preacher for next association read by Claud Rhodes:

Your Committee on place and preacher for next Association, report place, Phoenix churches, Bina, N. C. about 7 miles north of Jefferson, N.C.

On the N. W. Railroad, preacher for introductory Sermon Rev. T. G. Money, Alternate Rev. E. Tucker Tuesday after the first Sunday in Sept. 1921 Submitted

20a Report on naming Executive Com. read by clerk.

E. L. Tucker, Tuckerdale, J. F Dillard, Orion, F. W. Testerman Jefferson. J. H. Ashley. Warrensville, C. W. Phillips, Jefferson.

Committee C. W. Phillips, W. E. Denney E. D. Coldiron.

Moved and seconded that Rev M. A.. Adams continue to give the association as much time as possible. These reports were adopted.

21 Report on Finance read and adopted.

22 Report on Digest of church Letters read and adopted

From the report of 33 Churches your committee begs to submit the following:

Value of Church property $26,250.00. Received by Baptism 121, By letter 85. By Restoration 15 Dismissed by letter 48, by excclusion 30, by death 23, Total gain 120. Membership Males 872, Females 1369, total 2241. Financial: Pasters Salary $2,718.29. Building and repairing $582.10. Incidentals $265.37. Sunday School expenses $268.61 the poor $224.70. Minute funds 74.50 other objects $667.28, 75 Million (undesignated) $1,-424.96 State and Association Missions $30.17, Home Missions $145.99, Sun-

day School Missions $2.00, Orphanage $377,03 Christain Education $12.00 Ministers relief $35.00, Total 6,498.36.

Womans Missionary Union

Organizations 3, churches, Beaver Creek, President Mrs J. O. Goodman Beaver Creek, N. C. No. of members 8. 75 Million undesignated $37.10 Big Flats President M. E. Houck, Fleetwood N.C. No. of members 11, 75 Million undesignated $17.30 Missions $10.72, Orphanage $8.75, Training Schools $8.65. Total contributions $45.42. West Jefferson, Mrs. T. Grady Nanney, President West Jefferson, N. C. No. of members 8.

Fraternally Submitted, J. W. Duncan, J. G. Welch, F. W. Testerman, Com.

23. Report on Resolutions read and adopted:

Resolved that we the Ashe Association regard this sitting of our association as one of the best in recent years, inasmuch as it reaped the fruits of an enlarged vision which grew out of the 75 Million Campaign. And to the kindness and hospitality show us by Pleasant Home Church and surrounding community we extend to them our appreccication and heartfelt tanks.

T. M. Hayes, T. Grady Nanney

24. Moved and seconded that Rev. W. E. Denney Rev S. C. Blackburn represent the Ashe Association at the Baptist State Convention, A collection was taken and $15.00 was raised for expenses of the trip.

25. Moved and seconded that the Sunday School Convention be held with Buffalo Church the last 5th Sunday before the Association in 1921.

26. Discussion on forming Fields in the Ashe Association were made by T. M. Hayes, T. G. Nanney and J. O. Goodman.

27. Adjournment to meet with Phoenix Missionary Baptist Church Bina N. C. Tuesday after the first Sunday in September 1921, Prayer by Rev Ed O. Miller.

J. C. Goodman Moderator
J. W. Duncan Clerk

Treasurer's Report

BEGINNING AT THE CLOSE OF ASSOCIATION 1920.

Received of Finance Committee; Minute funds	$74.50
Received Collection at Association Minute fund	7.15
Minute funds carried over from last year	7.31
Total Minute funds,	$88.96
Received of Finance Committee 75 Million Und,	$128.53
Received of Finance Com. for orphanage,	$24.83
Paid to Walters Durham, for 75 Million Undesignated,	$128.53
Paid to H. B. Hamrick, Treasurer Orphanage,	$24.83
Received for Clerical services and postage	$20.00
Paid Eagle Printing Company For Printing Minutes	$50.00

J. W. Duncan, Treasurer.

Financial

	Pastors Salary	Bld & Repairs	Incidentals	S S Expenses	The Poor	Minute Funds	Other Objects	75 Million und	State & Asso mis	Home Missions	S S Missions	Orphanage	Christian Educa	Ministers Relief	TOTAL
Apple Grove	46.14		5.75			1.50									53
Ball Mountain	112.50		5	8	22	2.23	39	69.75				28			266
Baptist Home	12					50									12
Beaver Creek	250.00					2.70		148.80							401
Bethel	152.21			2		3		21							178
Big Flats	85.79			10.60	75	2	65.86	8	.59			28		8	355
Big Laurel															
Bristol	9					1.30									10
Buffalo	100		15	7	87	7.23	3	35.6	158.65			50	12		389
Clifton	48.58	6				1						7.10			62
Forest Home	55			9		2.25		20							86
Friendship	58	77		6		2	60	16.70	28.59			41.41			154
Glendale	56	50	2	10	3.72	15	70		29					27	134
Healing Spgs	45				22.25	3						1			71
Jefferson	87	13		8	32		2.50	36.54	158.04						305
Landmark	37.75	4	50	3	49		4.25	55.73				33	55		139
Laurel Knob	115	72.60		7	80	12.82	3	115	41	24.70		42			393
Liberty Hill	43	21		3	46	14	10	2.05	6	6.50		43	50		139
Long Branch	24.50	100		6.32	5		1.50	8.80				14.65			160
Meadow View	11	50					1.30		11						73
Mission Home	100						2		65	38					179
Mountain View	7.25						1					2.18			11
New River	104.15						4		105.40	1	50	1.50	60		276
Obids	75		.60				1.40		6	42					83
Ole Fields	76.25			6			3.62								85
Orion	75		59	32	7.60	10	3	10	1.60	100					356
Peak Valley	16.85			4			1		2.50				2		24
Phoenix	225		50	7.64		25	4.75		94			2	5		411
Pilot Mountain	54	90	46	53	5		2						7		117
Pleasant Hill	14.75					15	1.25								31
Pleasant Home	50	115					3		42				4		214
Tuckerdale	53			4	20		3.50	81	50	46					187
Valley Home	49	75	200	3	54		2								254
West Jefferson	180		81.07	152.05			2	105.24	332	12			7 64		864
Zion Hill	3.50			2			1								
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Oph. 377.03 chr ed. 12.00 min re. 35.00 Total--6,49

Woman's Missionary Union

CHURCH	ORGANIZATION	PRES.	P. O.	Number of Members	75 Million (Undesignated)	Missions	Christian Education	Orphanage	Training School	Other Objects	Total Contributons
Beaver Creek	W. M. U.	Mrs. J. O. Goodman	Beaver Ck N.C.	8	37.10						37.10
Big Flats	"	Mrs. M. E. Houck,	Fleetwood "	11	17.30	10.72		8.75	8.65		45.42
West Jefferson	"	Mrs. T. Grady Nanney	W Jeffsn "	8							

Statistical Table

CHURCH	PASTORS	P. O.	CLERKS	P. O.	Time of Preaching	Value of Ch. Property	Received by Baptism	By Letter	By Restoration	Lost by Letter	Excluded	By Death	No. Males	No. Females	Total Membership
Apple Grove	Manuel Blevins	Green Cove Va	H A Miller	Park Va		1500				1		2	30	72	102
Ball Mountain	R M Burkett	Jefferson NC	G L Trivett	Beaver Ck NC	1	1000	5		2				31	42	73
Baptist Home	T J Day	Warrensville	" L J Sturgill	Parker "	1	300							15	15	30
Beaver Creek	T G Nanney	W Jefferson	" J O Goodman	Beaver Ck "	2	800	1	3		6	2		19	25	44
Bethel	Ed O Miller	Glendale Spgs	" C W Phillips	Jefferson "	2					1			35	50	85
Big Flats	W E Carlton	Baldwin	" R C Parsons	Todd "	3	1200	10	2		1			22	34	56
Big Laurel	John A Davis	Grayson	"										11	22	33
Bristol	T J Day	Warrensville	" J W Day	Smethport "	2								41	62	103
Buffalo	W H Michael	Trade Tenn	W A Campbell	Beaver Ck "	4	700	2	1	1	3	2		16	15	31
Clifton	R M Burkett	Jefferson	" W T Miller	Clifton "	3	800						2	20	23	43
Forest Home	J F Walton	Green Cove Va	J H Ashley	Warrensville "	3	500	2	4					36	65	101
Friendship	W E Carlton	Baldwin	" E F Marsh	Jefferson "	4	800		4		2	2		17	49	66
Glendale	Ed O Miller	Glendale Spgs	" J D Wingler	Glendale Spg "	3	800	3					2	27	45	72
Healing Springs	J O Spencer	Grassy Creek	" W H Wiles	Crumpler "	1	500	5	4		3	4		25	28	53
Jefferson	T G Nanney	W Jefferson	" F W Testerman	Jefferson "	4	700	8	9		5			61	118	179
Landmark	W E Denney	Grassy Creek	" Coy Barker	Grassy Ck "	4	1100	10			2	5	3	35	32	67
Laurel Knob	R M Burkett	Jefferson	" J F Pearson	Todd "	2	1000	13	4				1	25	37	62
Liberty Hill	S C Blackburn	Piney Creek	" J H Wagoner	Nathans Ck "	4	400			1	7	5		18	25	43
Long Branch	W E Denney	Grassy "	" J G Welch	Lansing "	3	650	1				2		17	22	39
Meadow View	Coy Blackburn	Piney "	" L. D. Barker	Grassy ck "	1	1000				1			44	53	97

Mountain View	John A. Davis	Grayson	"	John Coldiron	Dandy	"	1	300	2	1		4			13	21	34
New River Coy	Blackburn	Piney Creek	"	W. D. Brown	Weaversfrd	"	3	1200	15	1		1		1	44	71	115
Obids	Ed O. Miller	Obids	"	D. C Severt	Obids	"	4	1000	2			1		1	20	50	70
Old Fields	J. L. Green	Hopkins	"	A H Church	Idlewild	"	4	300	6	5		3	1	6	58	95	153
Orion	W R Carlton	Baldwin	"	J F Dillard	Orion	"	1	1000	2	5		1	4	1	24	34	58
Peak Valley	Roscoe Trivett	Trade Tenn		W H Tyree	Creston	"	1	400	3					1	13	30	43
Phoenix	T F Roberts	Alvarado Va		H A Eller	Bina	"	2	1000	7	1	4	2		3	37	36	73
Pilot Mountain	P H Haire	Fleetwood N C		C Tucker	Brownwood	"	4	300	6						17	39	56
Pleasant Hill	T J Day	Warrensville	"	Treely Miller	Park Va		4	800				2		1	17	30	47
Pleasant Home	S C Blackburn	Piney Ck	"	Clay Hudler	Grassy Ck	"	2	1000	1			3			28	57	85
Tuckerdale	W E Denney	Grassy ck	"	R R Tucker	Tuckerdale	"	2	1500	3	1	2	3			11	24	35
Valley Home	W H Michael	Trade Tenn		D R Jones	Toliver	"	1	1000	8				3		30	36	66
West Jefferson	T G Nanney	W Jeff'n N C		Mrs J C Gambill	W Jef''		1-3	2500	9	37					22	32	54
Zion Hilll				W H Sheets	Index	"	4								6	10	16
								26,650	124	85	15	48	30	24	885	1399	2284

FINANCE REPORT

CHURCHES	Minute Fund	75 Million(undesignated)	Orphanage
Apple Grove	1.50		
Ball Mountain	2 23		
Baptist Home	50		
Beaver Creek	2.70		
Bethel	3 00		
Big Flats	2 00		
Big Laurel			
Bristol	1.30		
Buffalo	3.00	53.53	
Cilfton	1.00		
Forest Home	2.25	20.00	
Friendship	2.60		
Glendale	70		
Healing Springs	3.00		1.00
Jefferson	2.50		
Landmark	4.25		
Laurel Knob	3 00		
Liberty Hill	2.05	6 50	5.00
Long Branch	1.50		14 65
Meadow View	1.30		
Mission Home	2.00		
Mountain View	1.00		2.18
New River	4.00		
Obids	1.40		
Old Fields	3.62		
Orion	2.10		
Peak Valley	1.00	2.50	2.00
Phoenix	4.75		
Pilot Mountain	2.00		
Pleasant Hill	1.25		
Pleasant Home	3.00		
Tuckerdale	3.50	46.00	
Valley Home	2.00		
West Jefferson	2.00		
Zion Hill	1.00		
Total	74.50	128.53	24.83
Grand total	$227.86		

J H Wagoner C W Phillips J G Welch, Com.

No. 1. Obituary.

On Sunday night April 25th, 1920 the pale horse and its rider visited the home of our beloved brother Daivd M. Brooks, and called him from time to eternity. He was taken sick with the Flu, and only lived a short while. Brother Brooks professed faith in Christ several years ago and joined the Landmark Baptist Church, where he lived a faithful member until death. He was 75 years, one month and nine days old..

No. 2. Obituary.

Effie Gilbert wife of James Gilbert was born January 22, 1896, Died October 6. 1918.

She leaves a husband and one child, a father, mother, three brotners and five sisters.

She professed hope in Christ at the age of thirteen years and joined Landmark Church and lived a consistent christian un il her dea h. When she was on her death bed she advised her friends to prepare to meet her in a better world.

No. 3. Obituary.

Rev. William Adolphus Woodruff was born December 22, 1858, died January 28, 1920, at his home in Tennessee, Age 61 years one month and 6 days.

He was a faithful member in Old Fields Church We have so often heard him speak of the church he loved so well in which he seemed to enjoy the revival meetings held in his home church. He seemed to be impressed at our last revival would be his last visit with us, as he took his leave for home. The church ha lost a faithful member. His wife and seven children survives him.

No. 4. Obituary.

Brother Elihu E. Phillips departed this life June 6. 1920, age 87 years, eight months and six days. He was married January 7, 1866 and is survived by his widow, six children nd thirty-one grand and great-grandchildren. He joined the church forty years ago and was a prominent and consistent member of the Old Fields church. He was a member of the Masons.

The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Levi Green, Pastor of his church, from Revelations 14th chapter and 13th verse: "And I heard a voice from heaven saying to me, Write Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors and their works do follow them." He was carried to the cemteery at his own home, and buried by his brother Masons in honor of the Fraternity.

No. 5. Obituary.

Dora Alice Payne was born September 11, 1898, died August 6, 1920, age 21 years eleven months and six days. Her sister Zora Ethel Payne was born August 23, 1902, died March 16, 1920, age 17 years 6months and 7 days; daughters of Brother George and Sister Martha M. Payne, and ewre members of Old Field Church and of the Sunday School and left behind a father

Sunday School Table

CHURCH	SUPT.	P. O.		SECY.	P. O.
Apple Grove					
Ball Mountain	G L Trivett	Beaver Ck	NC	Linnie Lawrence	Bea. Ck
Baptist Home					
Beaver Creek	J C Goodman	"	"	Bertha Goodman	"
Bethel	T H Brown	Oval	"	J A Johnston	Oval
Big Flats	R C Parsons	Todd	"	Minnie Haire	Fleetwood
Big Laurel					
Bristol					
Buffalo	J F Hodgson	Beaver Ck	"	T H Ray	Smethport
Clifton					
Forest Home	J H Ashley	Warrensville	"	Bertha Ashley	War'n'vle
Friendship	D A Burkett	Jefferson	"	R L Little	Jefferson
Glendale	J D Wingler	Glendale Sp	"	H E Bowlin	Glendale Sp
Healing Springs					
Jefferson	F W Testerman	Jefferson	"	Emma Testerman	Jef'son
Landmark	J C Denney	Grassy Creek	"	Lora Barker	Grassy Ck
Laurel Knob	W M Wilcox	Todd	"	H L Goodman	Todd
Liberty Hill	J H Wagoner	Nathans Ck	"	Essie Bails	Nathans Creek
Long Branch	J G Welch	Lansing	"	E Z Sexton	Edison
Meadow View					
Mission Home					
Mountain View					
New River					
Obids	D H Burgess	Obids	"		
Old Fields	J R Johnston	Idlewild	"	Chas Hartzog	Idlewild
Orion	J F Dillard	Orion	"	W J Bare	Orion
Peak Valley	W H Tyree	Creston	"		
Phoenix	J M Hamby	Bina	"	Gertrude Eller	Bina
Pilot Mountain	C Tucker	Brownwood	"	Roxie Watson	Brookside
Pleasant Hill					
Pleasant Home					
Tuckerdale	E L Tucker	Tuckerdale	"	F B Tucker	Tuckerdale
Valley Home	O E Laurence	Toliver	"	L M Roark	Toliver
West Jefferson					
Zion Hill	C M Burgess	Wagoner	"		

No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Pupils	Total Enrollment	Church Members in S. S.	Months kept open	Baptisms from School	School Expenses	Missions	Orphanage	Total Contributions
1	4	29	34	20	12		8.00			8.00
1	5	40	45		12					
1	5	60	65	25	6		2.00			2.00
1	7	32	39	20	12	1	10.60			10 60
1	6	54	60	20	12		7.87		5.00	12.87
1	5	50	55	20	6		9.00			9.00
1	5	87	92		6		6.00		9.41	15.41
	7	60	67	25	4		3.72			3.72
1	4	65	69	14	12		8.32			8 32
1	5	40	45	30	3		3.49		33.55	37 04
1	5	72	77	35	12		7.80			7.80
1	4	64	68	19	6		3.46			3.46
1	8	47	55	15	6		6.32			6 32
I			12							
1	6	162	168		6					
1	5	42	47	18	9	3	7.60			7.60
1	3	40	45		8		4.00			4.00
I	8	34	42	25	12		7.64	2.00	5.00	14 64
1	5	46	51	15	6		5.00			5 00
1	8	79	87	17	3		4 20			4.20
1	7	70	77	33	9	6	3.54			3.54
1	10	100	110	54	12	9	152.05			152.05
1	3	50	53				2.00			2.00
	125	1323	1413	405		19	252 61	2 00	52.96	317 57

mother and eight brothers and sisters..

No. 6. Obituary.

Sister Maggie Burgess, wife of H. H. Burgess, was born April 21, 1871, died May 16, 1920, age 49 years 25 days.

She joined Obids Baptist Church several years ago where she remained a faithful member until death.

She had a severe spell of "Flu" and pneumonia in December 1918 from which she never entirely recovered. Later tuberculosis set up which soon did its work. However she was patient and submissive, she prayed continually, and before her death left bright evidence she had a better home, was ready and willing to go.

Her body was laid to rest in Obids Church Cemetery near her son, to wait the morn of the Resurrection.

Written by Mrs. Ettie Burgess, &
Mrs. Minnie McNeill

No. 7. Obituary.

Sister Oros Stanberry wife of D. L. Stanberry was born December 2, 1890, died Feburary 4, 1920, age 29 years 3 months and 2 days.

Rev. Levi Green
Roxie Vivian Vannoy

No. 8. Obituary.

Sister Naomi Church was born May 3, 1882, died February 18, 1920, age 37 yeras, 9 months and 15 days. She is survived by her husband, father, mother three boys and one girl. She is the daughter of Brother Felix and sister Howell Was married to A. H. Church September 16, 1903. She joined Beaver Creek Baptist Church in 1898, later moved her membership to Old Fields Baptist Church where she remained a consistent and faithful member until death. Sister Church was with her little boy at the Abingdon Hospital and had undergone an operation. She was taken with the Flu and later penumonia set in which soon proved fatal. The boy remained in the hospital one month after his mother died and did not know she was dead until his father went to bring him home.

No. 9. Obituary.

John Bowlin was born January 22, 1874 departed this life April 3, 1920, age 46 years 2 months and 12 days. Professed hope in Christ and joined Glendale Baptist Church 1915. He was married to Fanny Dancy February 12, 1893. Born unto them 6 children, five of them are living. He was sick forty-eight hours the cause of death appendicitis. Before he died he called his children and friends to his bedside and bade them press on an live a christian life and said he was going home. He leaves three sisters and two brothers. Rev. E. O. Miller conducted the funeral service then brother Bowlin was laid to rest at the Cox Cemetery near his little son. We hope to meet him in Glory with the redeemed, a land of rest where congregations ne'er break up nor Sabbath never ends.

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Two Noble Veterans of The Cross

A WORD OF APPRECIATION

—BY—

REV. AND MRS. GEO. M. REEVES

MR. AND MRS. JAMES ELLER.

James Eller was born in Wilkes County, N. C. June 25, 1828. Professed a hope in Christ 1847. Was ordained a Deacon in New Hope Baptist Church 1853. Was a delegate to the Western Convention in 1860.

Brother Eller came to Ashe County in 1865. He was President of the Convention that organized the New River Association at Mt. Pleasant Church. He was leader of the movement to get letters for all the churches in Ashe and form the Ashe and Alleghany Association, which was organized at Buffalo Church in 1886, with six churches in Ashe and three in Alleghany. He was Vice-President of this Association for a number of years, and was Moderator of the Ashe Association 1898-1899-1900. Was a member of the State Board of Missions for several years.

James Eller was married to Mary Ann Carlton Oct. 24, 1849. At this writing both are living, having been married seventy-two years. Through all these eventful years Sister Eller has been one of God's real Saints and a true helpmeet to her husband. No sweeter Christian character can be found than that possessed by her.

The Lord has wonderfully blessed these good people with a long and fruitful ministry in His service. They have also been blessed with a highly honored and useful family of devoted children and to whom they have been a real Mother and Father.

As a little token of appreciation of their great and useful lives and of the sweet personal fellowship with our dearly beloved Bro. and Sister Eller we present to you this sketch.

May God bless them with many more days of happy service and testimony for Christ.

Yours in the Lord's service,

Geo. M. Reeves.
Bina Garvey Reeves.

138 Dewey Ave.,
Spartanburg, S. C.
Sept. 1, 1921.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

FIRST DAY, 10 A. M.

1. Introductory Sermon.
2. Election of Officers and Organization.
3. Roll Call of Churches.
4. Reception of Churches.

Adjournment.

FIRST DAY, 1 P. M.

1. Invitation to Visitors.
2. Reading Abstract of Principles and Constitution.
3. Appointment of Committees.
4. Report on Biblical Recorder, and Sunday Schools.
5. Report on Religious Exercises.
6. Announcement of Homes for Messengers and Visitors.

SECOND DAY, 9 A. M.

1. Devotional Exercises.
2. Report on Missions.
3. Report on Digest of Church Letters.
4. Report on Pastoral Support.
5. Report on Temperance.

SECOND DAY, 1 P. M.

1. Report on Education.
2. Report on Place and Preacher.
3. Report on Naming Executive Committee.
4. Report on Orphanage.
5. Report on Religious Exerercises.

THIRD DAY, 9 A. M.

1. Devotional Exercises.
2. Report of Committee on Finance.
3. Report on 75-Million Campaign.
4. Report on Resolutions.
5. Adjournment.

DIRECTORS OF THE ASHE ASSOCIATION

Prof. J. C. Goodman Moderator, ... Beaver Creek, N. C.
James Eller, Vice President, ... Bina, N. C.
J. W. Duncan, Clerk and Treasurer, ... Beaver Creek N. C.

RESIDENT PASTORS

Barker, W. F.	Grassy Creek, N. C.
Blevins, E	Crumpler, "
Blackburn, S. Coy	Piney Creek, "
Burkett, R. M.	Jefferson, "
Davis, John A.	Grayson, "
Day, T. J.	Warrensville, "
Denney, W. E.	Grassy Creek, "
Haire, P. H.	Fleetwood, "
Hayse, T. M.	Nathans Creek, "
Green, G. L.	Hopkins, "
Miller, Ed O.	Obids, "
Nanney, T. G.	West Jefferson, "

NON RESIDENT PASTORS

Michael, W. H.	Trade, Tenn.
Carlton, W. F.	Wilbar, N. C.
Pennington, G. M.	Park, Va.
Roberts, T. F.	Alvarado, "

Ordained Ministers not Pastors

Arnold, J. M.	Damascus, Va.
Ashley, Joseph	Edison, N. C.
Blackburn, M. D.	Grassy Creek, "
Carlton, W. E.	Baldwin, Md.
Campbell, Neal	Grayson, N. C.
Cope, C. M.	Orion, "
Grub, T. W.	Todd, "
Griggs, J. M.	Todd, "
Glenn, W. H.	Dandy, "
Hamby, J. M.	Bina, "
Howell, J. G.	Jefferson, "
Miller, Ambrose	Edison, "
Neaves, J. M.	Crumpler, "
Porter, W. M.	Warrensville, "
Spencer, J. O.	Grassy Creek "
Styke, C. L.	Green Cove, Va.
Tucker, Elihu	Grassy Creek N. C.
Trivett, J. S.	Fleetwood, "
Wilcox, Joseph	Summit, "

STANDING COMMITTEES

Foreign Missions: Rev. P. H. Haire, J. P. Howell.
Home Missions: Rev W E Denny, Rev Elihu Tucker.
State Missions: H A Eller, Rev T F Roberts.
Biblical Recorder: J O Goodman.
Pastoral Support: David Harless, J F Hodgson.
Christian Education: B H Duncan, Dell Goodman.
Orphanage: Rev's S Coy Blackburn, W F Barker.
Digest Church Letters: L H Goodman, J G Welch. J H Wagoner.
Obituaries: Dr S L Perkins.
Sunday Schools: W H McMillon, I N Hudler.
75-Million Campaign, and Associational Missions: Rev T G Nanney.

Churches and Delegates

Apple Grove—Not represented.
Ball Mountain—G L Trivett, J T Campbell.
Baptist Home—L J Sturgill.
Beaver Creek—J M Teague, L H Goodman, J O Goodman.
Bethel—C W Phillips, Earl Johnson, J F Walters.
Big Flats—Frank Houck, F L Houck, R C Parsons.
Big Laurel—Rev John A Davis.
Bristol—Willie Bowers, J W Day.
Buffalo—Arthur Harless, J F Hodgson, W A Campell.
Clifton—By letter.
Forest Home—L G Ashley, Arthur Childers.
Friendship - T K Luther.
Glendale—Not represented.
Healing Spings—W H McMillon, I N Hudler, W W Blackburn.
Jefferson—C A Dickson, J W Badger.
Landmark—James Hurley, Arthur Barker, J C Denney.
Laurel Knob—J F Pearson, W C Trivett, Lawson Edwards.
Liberty Hill—J P Shepherd, J H Wagoner, Eugene Wagoner.
Long Branch—E Z Sexton, J G Welch, Ambrose Miller.
Meadow View—Not represented.
Mission Home—J C Green, J E Johnson,
Mountain View—Geo Coldiron, John Coldiron.
New River—Toll Gambill, John Davis, Fred Hudler.
Obids—Milligan Faw, D C Severt.
Old Fields—L D Blackburn, J E Cheek.
Orion—E D Coldiron, J F Dillard, W M Dillard.
Peak Valley—W H Tyre.
Phœnix—J W King, H A Eller, F R Jones.
Pilot Mountain—C M Parsons.

Pleasant Hill—Lee Wyatt, Treely Miller.
Pleasant Home—C N Deboard, W R Lovelace, Estil Eller.
Tuckerdale—James A Wagoner, R L Hodge, Marcus Combs.
Valley Home—D R Jones, Jesse Jones.
West Jefferson—H C Tucker, Julian Hopkins, E L Greer.
Zion Hill—By letter only.
Liberty Grove—John A Howell, J P Howell.

Liberty Grove was received under the watch-care of the Association until they present letter from Three Forks Association.

CONSTITUTION

Art. 1. This body shall be called The Ashe Association.

2. The object of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the gospel in our bounds, and in all the world, and in this work the Association will co-operate with the Baptist Convention of North Carolina.

3. The members of this body shall be all the ordained ministers of the churches of this Association, and three delegates from each church, who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment, and giving statistics of the membership and work of the church.

4. At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a moderator, clerk and treasurer, in such way as the Association may direct. The two last offices may be held by the same brother.

5. The moderator shall preside at the meetings, preserve order, appoint committees, and perform such other duties as are required of presiding officers.

6. The clerk shall keep correct record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing and distribution to the churches, the proceedings of the body.

7. The treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent to the Association, to pay them out as the association may direct, and make a report at each annual session.

8. The Association shall hold an annual meeting at such time and place as may be agreed upon.

9. At each annual meeting there shall be appointed an executive committee of five brethren, who shall look after the destitution in the bounds of this association, and co-operate with the State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention, making the next session a report of the work done and all the general State Mission work.

10. The Association shall convene annually on Thursday before the first Sunday in September. At each annual session there shall be appointed committees to make reports to the ensuing session, on

the following subjects to-wit: State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Pastoral Support, Ministerial Education, Baptist Orphanage, Biblical Recorder, Temperance, Digest Church Letters, Finance, Place and Preacher for next Association.

11. Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

12. The Association will not retain in permanent fellowship any Church that retains in its fellowship any member who is disorderly in doctrine or practice, or who makes, sells, or in any way deals in ardent spirits as a beverage.

13. This Constitution may be amended by a vote of two thirds of the members present at any annual session.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES

1. We believe in one only true and living God, and that there are three persons in the God-head, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, and that these three are one.

2. We believe that the Bible, the New and Old Testament, is the Word of God and the only rule of faith and practice.

3. We believe in the impotency of man and the sovereignty of God.

4. We believe that salvation is by Grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ to be practiced only by believers in their Scriptural order.

6. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator and that only those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and doctrine should take the Lord's Supper.

7. We believe in the final perseverence of the saints in grace to glory

8. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment.

We believe that the existence of the righteous and the wicked will both be of eternal duration, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal

RULES OF ORDER

1. Every session shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. When the Moderator calls the house to order every member shall at once take his seat.

3. When a member wishes to speak he shall rise and address the Moderator, and not proceed till he is recognized.

4. No member shall speak more than twice on any subject except by permission of the body.

5. No member shall leave the body during the session without permission of the Moderator.

6. It will be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold private conversation while the Moderator is speaking

PROCEEDINGS

Bina, N. C.
Tuesday, September 6, 1921.

The Ashe Association met in its 35th annual session with Phoenix Missionary Baptist church at 10 a. m. and the proceedings were as follows: At 9: 30 a. m., Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. Fred Blackburn.

1. The Introductory sermon was preached by Rev. T. G. Nanney. Text: Mathew 28: 19. "Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and the Son, and of the Holy Ghost." After sermon a public collection was taken for missions amounting to $47.68.

2. Election of officers by acclamation resulting in the reelection of Prof. J. C. Goodman, Moderator, and J. W. Duncan, Clerk and Treas.

3. Roll call of churches and 31 handed in letters.

4. Called for new churches and Liberty Grove from Three Forks association was received under the watch care of this association until they present letter credentials from the Three Forks association.

4. Upon invitation to visitors, Revs. F. M. Huggins, and L. C. Wilson of the Three Forks Asso., T. F. Roberts of Lebanon Asso., J. W. P. Hill from Stanley asso., Rev. L. C. Ross, Rev. Maze M. Barnette, J. W. Hash of New River asso. and Rev. J. F. Blackburn of South Fork association were seated with the body.

5. Roll call of standing committees. Appointment of absenttees:

Digest of Church Letters: Dave Harless.

On Resolutions: Revs. L. C. Wilson, J W P Hill, M M Barnette.

On Temperance: C M Cope, C C Barker.

On Finance: J E Johnson, W H McMillon, C W Phillips, T. K. Luther.

On Place and Preacher for next association: Delegates from Laurel Knob, Bethel, Valley Home, Buffalo, and Tuckerdale churches, as these churches all asked for the association.

7. Resolution to change time of association. By motion the association voted to change time to Thursday, Friday and Saturday before the first Sunday in September. (See Sec. 10 Constitution.)

8. To nominate Executive Committee: C. A. Dickson, R. C. Parsons, J. T. Campbell, C. N. Deboard, J. F. Hodgson, J. C. Green.

9. Religious Exercises: Delegates and Pastor of Phœnix church.

10. Constitution and Abstract of Principles read by J. G. Welch.

11. Adjourned for 1 hour for refreshments.

Prayer by Rev. Mays M. Barnette.

TUESDAY EVENING SESSION, 1 P. M.

12. Report on Pastoral Support was read by J. F. Dillard, and discussed by Dr. S. L. Perkins, E. L Tucker, Joe Hodgson, J. P. Howell, T. G. Nanney, David Harless, H. A. Eller, J. C. Goodman and Rev. G. M. Pennington. Report Adopted.

PASTORAL SUPPORT

I feel that we as Baptists of the Ashe Association are losing much by not uniting our churches together in fields so as to be able to support our pastors and turn them loose to do the work God has called them to do, so they may be able to help us save the lives of our young Christians into the service of our Lord as well as to reach the souls of the lost.

J. F. Dillard.

13. Report on Religious Exercises read. Reported that Rev. P. H. Haire preach at stand at 2 p. m., Rev. F. M. Huggins at 7 p.m. at Phoenix, Rev. T. G. Nanney at Lansing at 7 p. m., Rev. L. C. Wilson at Forest Home at 7 p. m., and Rev. J. W. Hill at Tuckerdale at 7 p. m.

14. Report on Temperance read by J. G. Welch; discussed by Rev T. G. Nanney, Rev L C Wilson, T M Hayse, L J Sturgill, Dr S L Perkins, C M Cope, Joe Hodgson, T F Roberts. After discussion, it was decided to substitute for Report on Temperance, a part of the report on Resolutions.

15. Report on Education read by W. E. Denney. Discussed by Rev. Mays M. Barnette, W A Hash, C M Cope, F M Huggins.

This report was amended and the association elected J. F. Dillard as an additional trustee of the Oak Hill School. Adopted.

EDUCATION

Education came out of the war with a demonstration of power. Education does not necessarily have to be good to be powerful. The German Nation has demoustrated this fact. We are awakened as never before to the importance of Christian Education. Southern Baptists, under the leadership of Dr. A. E. Brown of Ashville, in the last twenty years have made marvelous progress in Christian Education. We are now maintaining 39 Denominational Schools in the mountain districts. The blessings derived from these schools cannot be estimated in words.

The school to which the Ashe Association rightfully belongs, is

located at Kendrick, Va., Grayson Co. Prof M. M. Barnett, a consecrated Christian is at the head of this school. In these schools we not only train the mind but the heart. Educaton without the spirit of Christ is a plant without a flower. We have as good schools as are to be found in the South, and why not patronize them?

Therefore, be it resolved, That we the Ashe Association pledge our prayers and patronage to the Oak Hill School.

W. E. Denney,
T. Grady Nenney } Com.

16. Reports on Sunday Schools and Biblical Recorder read discussed by J. O. Goodman, J. W. P. Hill, Dr. S. L. Perkins, T. G. Nenney, F. M. Huggins.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Your committee can do no better than stress the report on S. S. adopted at last session, and add, that this work is just as important a work of the church as any other, and rank with, and go hand in hand with preaching the gospel, evangelization and missionary effort. Let all our churches keep this work on the increase during the entire year.

Submitted. H. A. Eller.

BIBLICAL RECORDER

When our fathers organized the State Convention they saw the necessity for a medium of communication. For eighty-seven years the Recorder has served the Baptist people of this state. The Recorder has been an important agency in the advancement and development of Christ's Kingdom on earth. Our people are much in the habit of letting their subscriptions run behind for years.

From some cause our people are a bit slow to realize the worth of the Recorder as our church organ.

Your committee recommends that every member of the Missionary Baptist church subscribe for the Recorder. The price is $2. per year.

J. O. Goodman, Com.

Following the adoption of the report, six subscriptions to the Biblical Recorder were secured.

17. Additional report on religious exercises read and adopted.

Report that Rev. Coy Blackburn conduct religious exercises at 9 a. m. Wednesday.

19. Announcements of homes for messengers and visitors by H. A. Eller. Adjourned to meet at 9 a. m. Wednesday.

Prayer by Rev. Fred Blackburn.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION

20. The association met according to adjournment. One hour was spent in devotional exercises conducted by Rev. Coy Blackburn.

21. The proceedings of Tuesday's session were read by the clerk and adopted.

22. Oral reports on Spiritual condition of the churches of this Association. Discussed by Revs. R. M. Burkett, Fred Blackburn, F. M Huggins, J. W. P. Hill, P. H. Haire, G. M. Pennington, Coy Blackburn, Dr. S. L. Perkins, C M Cope, and E. Tucker.

After discussion, the association thinks that Clifton was disbanded legally, but was not organized legally; therefore, the association advises the Clifton brethren to call a presbytery and organize a church.

Note: Association can only advise and suggest, as Baptist churches are entirely independent.—Clerk.

23. After receiving brief oral reports as to condition of the various churches in the association on their 75-Million Campaign Pledges, we find them in very good condition and think they will meet their obligations by State Convention.

A collection was taken for Peak Valley church because of her financial condition, amounting to $10.06, and was handed to Brother W. H. Tyre.

24. Rev. Coy Blackburn was called to the Chair as Mod pro tem.

25. Report of Executive Committee was read and adopted.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

We your committee submit: That there has nothing come before us, only we recommended to Board of Ministers' Relief, aid for Rev. Elihu Tucker, one of our veterans of the cross that has worn himself out in the Lord's work in the bounds of the Ashe Association.

Submitted. C. W. Phillips, J. Dillard.

DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS

From the reports of 31 churches, we beg to submit the following: Value of Church Property $26,750. Received by baptism 156, by letter 47, by restoration 9. Losses, 31 by letter, exclusion 29, by death 19. Total gain 133. Membership: Males 891, Females 1316 total 2,194. Financial: Pastors' Salary $2770.04; Building and Repairs $4,109.02; Incidentals $234.04; Sunday School exp. $308.55; The Poor $212.52; Minute Fund $68.51; Other Objects $751.12; 75 Million (undesignated) $1,400.00; State and Associational Missions $26.56; Home Missions $88.08, Foreign Missions $15.00; Orphanage $270.48; Christian Education $8.00; Ministerial Relief $4.10. Total, $9,615.58. By comparison, 1920, 33 churches represented, and in 1921 only 31 churches represented. Net gain by

baptism 35. Total gain for all objects $3117.22

We did not put Liberty Grove in this report.

Submitted, Hayden Goodman, David Harless, T. R. Jones.

Discussed by David Harless, L. H. Goodman and adopted.

26. Report of Finance Committee read and adopted.

FINANCE REPORT

Church	Minute F.	Orphanage	75-Million (undes.)
Apple Grove			
Ball Mountain	2.25		
Baptist Home	.50		
Beaver Creek	1.85		26.00
Bethel	1.50		
Big Flats	2.00		
Big Laurel	2.00	2.00	
Bristol	2.30		
Buffalo	3.00		
Clifton	1.00		
Forest Home	2.00		15.00
Friendship	2.00		
Glendale			
Healing Springs	3.00	1.00	
Jefferson	2.50		
Landmark	3.10		
Laurel Knob	2.00		
Liberty Hill	2.00		
Long Branch	1.50		
Meadow View			
Mission Home	2.00		
Mountain View	1.75		
New River	4.00		
Obids	1.00		7.50
Old Fields	2.82		
Orion	2.15		
Peak Valley	1.00	2.00	
Phœnix	5.00		
Pilot Mountain	1.00		
Pleasant Hill			
Pleasant Home	3.00		
Tuckerdale	3.05		40.00
Valley Home	1.10		
West Jefferson	4.64		
Zion Hill	1.00	.50	
Liberty Grove	2.00		
Total,	70.01	5.50	88.50

C. W. Phillips, J. E. Johnston, W. H. McMillon, T. K. Luther.

TABLE I.—STATISTICAL

CHURCH	PASTOR	P. O.	CLERK	P. O.	Time of Preaching	Value of Ch. Property	Received by Baptism	Rec. by Letter	Restored	Lost by Letter	Excluded	Died	No of Males	No. Females	Total Membership
Apple Grove															
Ball Mountain	P. H. Haire	Fleetwood N.C.	J. W. Duncan	Beaver Creek	1	$1000	1			1	5	1	26	40	66
Baptist Home															
Beaver Creek	T. G. Nanney	West Jefferson "	J O Goodman	Beaver Creek	2	400	1	2	1				24	23	47
Bethel	Ed O Miller	Glendale	C W Phillips	Beaver Creek	2	3000	7	1	1	4		1	43	58	101
Big Flats	R M Burkett	Jefferson	Minnie Haire	Fleetwood	3	1200		5		2			24	42	66
Big Laurel	J A Davis	Hemlock NC	Mattie Roten	Hemlock NC	4	600	5	2	1		2	1	6	15	21
Bristol	T J Day	Warrensville "	J W Day	Smethport "	2		16	5				1	23	30	53
Buffalo	Coy Blackburn	Piney Creek	W A Campbell	Beaver Creek	4	700	6			2	1		41	65	106
Clifton	R M Burkett	Theta "	W T Miller	Clifton NC	1	800						1	15	13	28
Forest Home			J H Ashley	Warrensville	3	500		1	2	2	2		18	22	40
Friendship	W F Barker	Grassy Creek	E F Marsh	Jefferson	4	800	8					2	34	65	99
Glendale															
Healing Springs	S C Blackburn	Piney Creek	W H Wiles	Crumpler	1	500	1			1	1	1	26	44	70
Jefferson	T G Nanney	West Jefferson	F W Testerman	Jefferson	4	750	5	1		2		1	29	27	56
Landmark	W E Denny	Grassy Creek	E J Stuart	Jefferson	4	1200	2	1		4	6		49	100	149
Laurel Knob	R M Burkett	Theta	J F Pearson	Todd	2	1000		1		1		1	34	32	66
Liberty Hill	Coy Blackburn	Piney Creek	J H Wagoner	Nathans Cr'k	4	400	6			1			29	38	67
Liberty Grove	T M Hayes	Nathans Creek	L N Keller	Fleetwood	1	1000	4	4				1			52
Long Branch	G M Pennington	Park Va.	J G Welch	Lansing	3	1000		2		1			18	25	43
Meadow View															
Mission Home	T M Hayes	Nathans Creek	J E Johnson	Garren NC	1	600	8	1				2	46	59	105
Mountain View	J A Davis	Grayson NC	John Coldiron	Dandy "	1	300	6	1	3				13	24	37
New River	Coy Brackburn	Piney Creek	W D Brown	Weavers Ford	3	1200	22	8		2		1	57	95	152

Obids	W F Colton	Wilbar	NC	D C Severt	Obids	NC	4	1000			1	1		20	50	70
Old Fields	G L Green	Hopkins		L D Blackburn	Idlewild		4	200	4	1				58	100	158
Orion	T M Hayes	Nathans Creek		J F Dillard	Orion	"	3	1000	3	1	3	6	1	27	29	56
Peak Valley	W H Micheal	Trade	Tenn	W H Tyree	Creston		3	500	2				1	14	28	42
Phœnix	T F Roberts	Alvarado	Va.	H R Eller	Bina		2	1000	3		1		1	38	37	75
Pilot Mountain	J M Griggs	Todd	NC	C Tucker	Brownwood		2	300	17	5			1	27	49	76
Pleasant Hill	G M Pennington	Park	Va	Treely Miller	Park	Va	4	800	3		1			18	33	51
Pleasent Home	Ezekiel Blevins	Grassy Creek	NC	R C Hudler	GrassyCr'k	NC	2	1000		1	2		1	28	54	82
Tuckerdale	W E Denny	Grassy Creek		E L Tucker	Tuckerdale		2	1500	4					11	28	39
Valley Home	W H Michael	Trade	Tenn	D R Jones	Toliver		1	1000	14			5		36	44	80
West Jefferson	T G Nanney	West Jefferson		E L Green	WestJefferson		1-3	2500	12	8	1			38	37	75
Zion Hill				W H Sheets	Index		3						1	6	10	16
								27	750	160	51	9	31	29	20	891	1316	2246

TABLE IV.-- W. M. U.

Church	Organization	President	P. O.	No. of Members	75-Million (Undes.)	Missions	Orphan-age	Other Objects	TOTAL
Buffalo	W. M. S.	Susan Harless	Smethport N. C.	15					
Big Flats	W. M. S.	Mrs M E Houck	Fleetwood "	12	25.45	6.60	10.88		42.85
Beaver Creek	W. M. S.	Mrs J O Goodman	Beaver Creek	8	41.25				41.25
Phœnix	B. Y. P. U.	F R Jones	Bina	31				6.41	6.41
West Jefferson	W. M. S.	Mrs T G Nanney	West Jefferson	15	45.75			86.41	132 16

24. A talk was made by James Eller, our Vice-president, one of our most beloved veterans, age 93 years. He vividly outlined his struggles in fouuding the missionary cause in the mountains. His lifetime companion, Mrs. James Eller, was with him. She has been a great inspiration to him in his work for the Baptist church in the mountain counties.

Prayer by Rev. E. Tucker.

25. Committee on religious exercises report that Rev. Fred Blackburn preach at the stand at 11 a. m.

26. Reports on State, Home, and Foreign Missions were read.

Discussed by J. C. Goodman, T. G. Nanney, J. W. P. Hill. Reports adopted. Following these reports, Rev. F. M. Huggins of the Boone Field, preached on Missions.

STATE MISSIONS

We should be deeply concerned about all phases of our mission work, Foreign, Home, and State, but it seems that some are not able to overcome provincialism. Some are not in sympthy with Foreign Missions, others are just well wishers of Home Missions, but surely there are no liberty loving, God fearing Baptists in North Carolina whose vision and interest does not cover the entire state. We have a great state and should covet it for the kingdom of Heaven.

If we do covet it for the kingdom of God, then we should support the agencies that are working for its salvation.

State Missions fosters, evangelization and education. Our young people, woman's work, Sunday-schools, and enlistment work. Rev. E. L. Middleton, our Sunday School Sec. with a force of workers, is doing a great work in the State for our Sunday-schools. Dr. Chas. A. Maddry, our new, yet beloved State Sec. is a man of vision, consecration and action, and will lead the hosts of North Carolina Baptists to victory if we will but rally to our pledges and uphold his hands

He has a force of evangelists and enlistment men who will give their entire time to work in the state at large. He can plan no greater work than we lay the foundation for by our support.

Therefore we heartily commend the work of State Missions to all our churches and beg their co-operation for the coming year.

Respectfully submitted.

T. Grady Nanney, Com.

HOME MISSIONS

The Home Mission Board, located at Atlanta, Ga. with Dr. B. D. Gray as the Secretary, has set for its task the Christianizing of our Southland. Looking toward the accomplishment of this end, the Home Mission work has been divided into the following departments:

1. Evangelism, or winning the lost to Christ. Dr. W. W. Hamilton

with his staff of able evangelists and singers is doing a great work.

2. Building and Loan. Dr. Warren is Secretary of the church Building and Loan, and many churches are aided in building new houses.

3. Mountain Schools. Dr. A. E. Brown is Secretary of this department and is doing a great work. Oak Hill Academy is receiving aid and deserves the support of the people of our association.

Then we have work among the(4) Negroes, (5) Indians, (6) Immigrants, (7) and in Panama and Cuba.

The Home Mission Board deserves our support.

We would recommend:

1. That our churches pay their pledges to the Campaign. There is now a debt of a million dollars on the Board.

2. That new pledges be taken for the 75-Million Campaign and that special collections be taken for Home Missions.

3. That the pastors preach on Home Missions at least once a year.

4. That tracts and literature be secured from the Home Board and distributed among the churches.

Respectfully submitted, E. C. Eller, Com.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

The Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention has 417 missionaries under appointment from America, not including a great number of nativh preachers and workers.

The Board has on the Foreign Field 49,659 church members, 554 churches, 11,148 outstations, 155 churches are self supporting.

Since the 75-Million Campaign was projected, we have sent out 104 missionaries and others are under appointment.

We have 10 theological schools with 345 students enrolled; and 554 schools including colleges and schools of lower grades, 18,169 students enrolled.

We have 16 hospital buildings and 14 dispensaries.

We have 6 publishing houses and 7 denominational papers on the foreign fields.

The 417 missionaries are distributed as follows: China 121; Africa 24; Italy 2; Brazil 112; Mexico 12; Japan 20; Argentina 19; Chile 7.

The Foreign Mission Board has lately accepted responsibility for work in Spain, Jugoslavia, Roumania, Southern Russia, Siberia, Palestine and Asyria.

These fields are being organized for great evangelistic campaigns and for the training of Christian workers.

To take care of the missionaries on the field, maintain the work already in operation, and to enter new doors of opportunity which swing on their hinges every day, needs money. The needs greatly

Table 2 = Financial.

CHURCH	Pastor's Salary	Building & Repairs	Incidentals	S. S. Expenses	Poor	Minute Fund	Other Objects	75-Million (Undes.)	State & As Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphanage	Christian Education	Ministers' Relief	TOTAL
Apple Grove															
Ball Mountain	98.50			8.00		2.25	73.13	97.75							239.63
Baptist Home															
Beaver Creek	250.00			6.00	50.00	1.85	46.00	89.35				51.50			388.70
Bethel	81.89	2900.00		4.18		1.50		108.11							3095.68
Big Flats	103.10	350.00	30.88	16.64	15.00	2.00	32.45	50.62		6.60		17.90		4.10	282.79
Big Laurel	17 50			4.21		2.00						2.00			25.71
Bristol	41 50					2.30									43.80
Buffalo	117.50	137.75		6.04		3.00	91.92	160.25							510.42
Clifton	22 75					1.00	23.75	15 00							62.50
Forest Home						2.00		15 00							17.00
Friendship	75 00					2 00	28 25	36.31							131.56
Glendale															
Healing Springs	22.00			5.34		3.00						1.00			31.34
Jefferson	118 14		3.00	12 45	2.00	2 50	12.00	164.54				7.77	8.00		330.40
Landmark	37 80					3 10	11.00					20 66			73.06
Laurel Knob	116 90			6.20	15.00	2 00						27 50			167.60
Liberty Hill	61 70	5.75	4.40	3.40		2 00	17.78			15.00	15.00	16 25			141.28
Liberty Grove	188 28		1.39	11 35	6.50	2 00		87.25							296.77
Long Branch	10 00	350.00	4.50	20 00	5 00	1 50				40 00		19 80			450 80
Meadow View															
Mission Home	188.76			17.30		2 00	58.06	41.50							307.56
Mountain View	17 56					1 75									19 31
New River	102 53	37.00		26.97		4 00	107.75	219.05				42.60			539 90

Obids	71 50					1 00		7 50								80 00
Old Fields	74 75					2 82										77 57
Orion	75.00	35.50	37.00	7.61		2.15		114.55								271 81
Peak Valley	9.60	140.75	1 00	6 96		1 00						2.00				161 31
Phœnix	203 97	45 00	25 25	17 91	25.00	5 00		60.75				5 00				387 63
Pilot Mountain	125 00			5 00		1 00	45.62	28 10								204 12
Pleasant Hill	19 25			2 50	10 00	1 00	25 00									57 75
Pleasent Home	45 75			3 76		3 00	52 00	74 60				1 00				180 11
Tuckerdale	64 25		40.00		27 00	3 05		40 00								174 30
Valley Home	48 01	92.27		8 60	16 00	1 10										165 98
West Jefferson	600 00	15 00	86 26	121 88	47 52	4 64	116 41	92 02	26.56	26.48		55.00				1191 77
Zion Hill			2 00			1 00						.50				3.50
	2958.69	41 9.02	235.43	319.90	249.02	70.01	751.12	1487.25	26 56	88.08	15.00	270.48	8.00	4.10		9912,35

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Submitted, Coy Blackburn.

MINISTERIAL RELIEF

Since the organization of the Minister's Relief Board about 30 years ago, the old ministers who have retired from public service and are in need of help, have received aid from this board. If we expect to be aided we ought to contribute to this cause more liberally than ever before. Respectfully submitted,

J. H. Wagoner, Com.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Report of Committee to name Executive Committee.

We your Committee name the following as the Executive Board of the Ashe Association for next year:

C. W. Phillips, Chairman,	Beaver Creek, N. C.
J. C. Green, Secretary,	Fleetwood, "
W. T. Harless,	Beaver Creek, "
F. R. Jones,	Bina, "
J. F. Dillard,	Orion, "

The Committee on religious exercises report Rev. J. W. P. Hill to preach in the Baptist church, and Rev. T. G. Nanney in the Methodist church, at 1 p. m.

WEDNESDAY EVENING SESSION, 1, P. M.

The association met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. Coy Blackburn.

Report on Place and Preacher was presented and adopted.

Reported the next annual session to be held at Bethel Missionary Baptist Church, on Thursday before the first Sunday in September 1922; and that Rev. W. E. Denney preach the Introductory Sermon, Rev Coy Blackburn alternate.

Report on Resolutions read. Discussed by L. C. Wilson and adopted.

RESOLUTIONS

Notwithstanding the wonderful achievements in the cause of temperance, never possibly in all of the history of the world has intemperance so asserted her powers and multiplied her forces as now.

Therefore, Resolved, That the Ashe Association now in session, call upon every church, and upon every member of every church, and upon every liberty loving citizen to rise up for the enforcement

of the law that every violator shall be brought to justice, and that we pledge our loyal support to the officers in the discharge of their solemn and sworn duties in the execution of the law to the end that peace and safety may be restored to our homes and to our country.

Resolved 2, That this association realize the necessity of more earnest preaching on the destinctive and fundamental doctrines of our faith, and that no pains be spared that our people may know what Baptists believe.

And may we hear the words of the Apostle Paul to Titus viz:—"Who gave himself for us that He might redeem us from all iniquity and purify unto Himself a peculiar people zealous of good works."

Resolved 3. That this association express our thanks to this church and community for the noble way in which this association has been entertained.

Respectfully Submitted, L. C. Wilson, Com.

J. G. Welch read the report on

ORPHANAGE.

The thirty fifth annual report of the orphanage is now given to us and still the orphanage is as dear to us as when it was first founded.

The present number number in the orphanage is five hundred thirty one—two hundred forty one boys and two hundred ninety girls, eighty five of these are at Kennedy Home. Twenty one are aided by their mothers, some are taking Caswell Training, some taking nursing and five have entered high school.

More than ever should we now feel our obligation to the many children crying to us for help and friendship. There were 724 applications to the orphanage this year and only sixty three received.

There have been many improvements made in the Orphanage this year, which call for more funds, and the financial and industrial condition through which we are passing have been hard on the Orphanage. The current funds of this year are short of last year, seven thousand dollars.

Each passing year demonstrates the wisdom of monthly collections in our churches and Sunday-schools for the Orphanage.

Respectfully submitteed,

Rev. P. H. Haire, R. C. Parsons, Com.

Following this report, Rev. J. W. P. Hill preached.

After the sermon a collection was taken for the Orphanage amounting to $43.79.

Adjourned to meet with Bethel Missionary Baptist church, four miles south east of Hamilton R R. station, 6 miles south east of West Jefferson, Thursday before the first Sunday in September, 1922.

TABLE III.—SUNDAY SCHOOLS

CHURCH	SUPT.	P. O.	SEC'Y.	P. O.	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Pupils	Total Enrollment	Church Members in S. S.	Months Open	Baptisms from School	School Expenses	Missions	Orphanage	Other Objects	Total Contributions
Apple Grove																
Ball Mountain	G. L. Trivett	Beaver Ck. N C	W L Houck	Beaver Ck. N C	1	5	28	35	15	12	1	8.00			10.00	18.00
Baptist Home	No School.															
Beaver Creek	J C Goodman	Beaver Creek	J O Goodman	Beaver Creek	1	4	40	44	20	12		6.00				6.00
Bethel	T H Brown	Oval N.C.	W H Teague	Oval N.C.	1	5	49	54	29	5		3.18			1.00	4.18
Big Flats	R C Parsons	Todd "	Mrs M Payne	Fleetwood "	1	7	75	82	38	12		16.64				16.64
Big Laurel	J A Davis	Hemlock	S C Kilby	Hemlock	1	5	36	41	20	6		4.21				4.21
Bristol	J J Johnson	Jefferson	C Bowers	Jefferson	1	5	35	40	20	6	5	10.00				10.00
Buffalo	J H Hodgson	Beaver Creek	T H Ray	Smethport	1	7	60	67	50	12	5	6.04		50.00		56.04
Clifton	No School.															
Forest Home	No School.															
Friendship	David Burkett	Jefferson	A N Dickson	Jefferson	1	5	61	66		6		6.00				6.00
Glendale	Not represented.															
Healing Springs	James Teaster	Grassy Creek	W H Wiles	Crumpler	1	10	53	63	18	6		5.34				5.34
Jefferson	R R Griggs	Jefferson	E Testerman	Jefferson	1	6	112	118	23	12	5	11.34		1.11		12 45
Landmark	J G Howell	Jefferson	Donald Denny	Grassy Creek	1	5	88	93	40						1.54	1.54
Laurel Knob	T W Grubb	Todd	L Edwards	Todd	1	5	72	77	60	9		6.20				6.20
Liberty Hill	J H Wagoner	Nathans Cr'k	Mrs A Boles	Nathans Cr'k	1	5	60	65	28	3		3.40				3.40
Liberty Grove	L N Keller	Garren	Mrs B Brown	Riverside	1	6	90	93	34	9		11.35			6.50	17.85
Long Branch	J G Welch	Lansing	Ambr's Miller	Edison	1	8	106	114	12	6		20.00				20.00
Meadow View	No School															
Mission Home	Conley Greene	Fleetwood	Mrs J M Wellborn	Fleetwood	1	6	90	96		8	3	17.30	45.62	15.45		78.37
Mountain View	No School															
New River	C Blackburn	Grassy Creek	Fred Hudler	Grassy Creek	1	9		140	30	5		12.22		3.75	11.00	26.97

Obids	D C Severs	Obids	N.C.			1	3	37	40	12		7							
Old Fields	S E Phillips	Idlewild		Mack Vannoy	Idlewild	1	7	75	82	30	6		10.00						10.00
Orion	J F Dillard	Orion		Mary Cope	Orion	1	6	28	34	14	12	1	7.61						7.61
Peak Valley	W H Tyree	Creston		W H Tyree	Creston	1	6	60	66	12	12		2.00						2.00
Phœnix	E C Eller	Bina		Gertrude Eller	Bina	1	7	63	70	33	12		17.91			5.00			22.91
Pilot Mountain	R T Seats	Todd		Roxie Watson	Brookside	1	4	35	39	15	6	4	5.00						5.00
Pleasant Hill	A L Stamper	Park	Va.	N L Wyatt	Park	Va.	1	3	15	18									
Pleasant Home	M F Jones	Grassy C'k	NC	Eva Hudler	Grassy C'k	NC	1	8	30	38	12	7		3.76				8.00	11.76
Tuckerdale	Mrs RS Hodges	Tuckerdale		Malissa Darnell	Tuckerdale		1	5	40	45	15	5		8.00					8.00
Valley Home	O E Lawrence	Toliver		L M Roark	Toliver		1	8	84	92	50	9	13	8.60					8.60
West Jefferson	Con. Hopkins	West Jefferson		Lenna Gambill	W Jefferson		1	10	135	145	75	12	10	110 61		11.27		21.87	143 75
Zion Hill	C M Burgess	Wagoner		May Sheets	Wagoner		1	5	60	65	6	6		2.00				.50	2.50
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This date, the 31st day of August, and the 1st and 2nd of Sept., 1922.

J. C. GOODMAN, Moderator.
J. W. DUNCAN, Cleark and Treas.

Obituaries

James David Blevins was born Nov. 2, 1845, died Sept. 18, 1921. Age, 75 yrs., 10 mons. and 16 days. He married Sarah Baker Feb. 12, 1871. Unto them were born 10 children, 5 living, 5 and dead.

He professed faith in Christ in 1883 and joined Pleasant Home Missionary Baptist Church where he kept his membership for some years. Then he moved his membership to Healing Springs Baptist Church and lived a consistent member until death.

He leaves 1 son and 4 daughters and his companion and other relatives and friends to mourn their loss. We feel, from the life he lived, that their loss is his eternal gain.

W. H. Wiles, C. C.

Rev. Jesse Barr was born Sept. 8, 1850, died Dec. 24, 1920; age 70 years, 3 months and 16 days.

Bro. Barr was a member of Big Laurel church at the time of his death. He was a minister for about 40 years.

He leaves a widow and some children and grand children and a host of friends to mourn their loss.

"Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord."

A Friend.

John J. Garvey was born Dec. 20, 1838. Died April 20, 1921, age 82 years, 4 months. He was married to Matildia Dixon Nov. 17, 1857. To this union were born 7 children—4 dead, 3 now living—James, Mollie and Maggie.

Bro. Garvey professed faith in Christ at the age of 20 years, and joined the Missionary Baptist church at Bethel, remaining a member until the organization of New River church, into which organization he entered with 4 others, of which church he remained a faithful member until April 20, 1921, which became his coronation day.

In his death New River church has lost one of its best members.

One among the last things he did was to pay his pledge to the 75-Million Campaign. In the dark days of the 60's he answered the call of his country and enlisted in the 1st N. C. Cavalry, Co. A, at the age of 22 years. He left Jefferson, Ashe Co., with the 1st Cavalry, in July 1861, and fought for his country 4 years, in the battles of which he was wounded twice. Through life he fought a good fight, finished his course and conquered the last enemy, which is death.

MRS. MAUDE GREENE.

On the morning of April 26, 1921, the spirit of Mrs. Maude Greene was called to the Great Beyond. Her departure was a sorrowful event to the many friends and relatives who had loved her 41 years and 13 days.

She joined the Baptist church at Bethel at an early age, and later moved her membership to Orion Baptist church. She lived a consisrent Christian life till death.

She was married to Mr. G. C. Greene Sept. 8, 1898. To this union five children were born, two of whom, Miss Mabel Greene and Mrs. Ola Austin survive her.

In the Faw Cemetery, beneath a flower covered mound her remains sleep, awaiting that glad morn when the dead in Christ shall rise.

John W. Hudler was born March 26, 1832, died Dec. 22, 1920, age 88 years 8 mos. and 29 days.

On Oct. 18, 1857, he married Tamsy Stitt. To this union were born 12 children, 9 boys and 3 girls, 9 of whom are living.

He joined the Missionary Baptist church at the age of 22 yrs and was a member of Healing Springs church at his death.

He was in the war between the States, and was in 26 battles. He has fought his last fight, and we feel sure from the life he lived, he is where there are no wars, but where there is rest for those who die in the faith. Blessed are they who die in the Lord.

I. N. Hudler.

Sister Sallie Rose, wife of David Rose, was born May 16, 1849, died Jan. 20, 1921, age 71 years 8 mos. and 4 days. She professed a hope in Christ at the age of 12 years and joined the church in Grayson Co. Va. When she was married and moved to Ashe Co., she joined Long Branch Baptist church and lived a good pious Christian till God called her to rest. She was a loving mother and left a husband one son and two daughters to mourn her loss, two children having already departed. She led public prayer and died shouting praises to God. She is gone but not forgotten.

Annie Sluder was born Nov. 13, 1844, died May 21, 1921, age 77 yrs., 7 mos. and 8 days.

She joined Peak Valley Missionary Baptist church several years ago and lived a consistent member until death. She leaves 3 sons and many friends to mourn their loss. We feel from the Christian life she lived, she is at rest with God in peace.

Weep not but be prepared to meet sister Sluder on the other shore.

J. E. Tyre, M. M. Tyre.

Albert Sheets was born in 1851, died Aug. 31, 1921, age 67 yrs.

He professed faith in Christ and joined Bristol Missionary Baptist church and lived a member of this church until death.

He leaves 5 children and wife with a host of friends to mourn their loss. J. W. Day.

Owen Welch was born April 26, 1848; departed this life Dec. 23, 1918, age 70 years, 7 months and 27 days.

He professed a hope in Christ early in life. In October 1889, he went into the organization of Long Branch Baptist church and lived a consistent member of the same until death.

He leaves three sons, four daughters, and a host of friends to mourn their loss. His wife and two sons had already departed to a better life, according to their testimony.

The home has lost a good father, and the church a good member, by his death. Our loss is his eternal gain.

David Welch, son of Owen Welch, was born June 20, 1889; died June 24, 1918, age 29 years and 4 days.

He professed and joined Long Branch Baptist church Feb. 3, 1903 and lived a faithful member until death.

By his life we believe he has gone to glory where trouble and sorrow do not come

He was faithful to his church and did a lot of work, and was always at his post of duty. In the last years of his life he struggled for the right and died in full triumphs of his faith.

He departed this life loved by every one who stood for right and justice.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Beginning at the close of association held with Phœnix Church Sept. 6 and 7, 1921:

Received of Finance Com., Minute Funds,			$70.01
	Total Minute Fund,	$ 70.01	
" "	Orphanage,	5.50	
"	Collection for Orphanage at asso.	43.79	
"	Total for Orphanage,	$ 49.29	
"	Finance Com. for 75 M. undes.	88.50	
"	Collection at asso.,	47.68	
"	Total for Missions,	136.18	
Paid to F. B. Hamrick, Treasurer Orph.,			49.29
" Walters Durham, Treasurer,			136.18
" Will H. McGuire for Printing Minutes,			49.75
Reserved for Clerical Services and Postage,			20.00

J. W. Duncan,
Treasurer.

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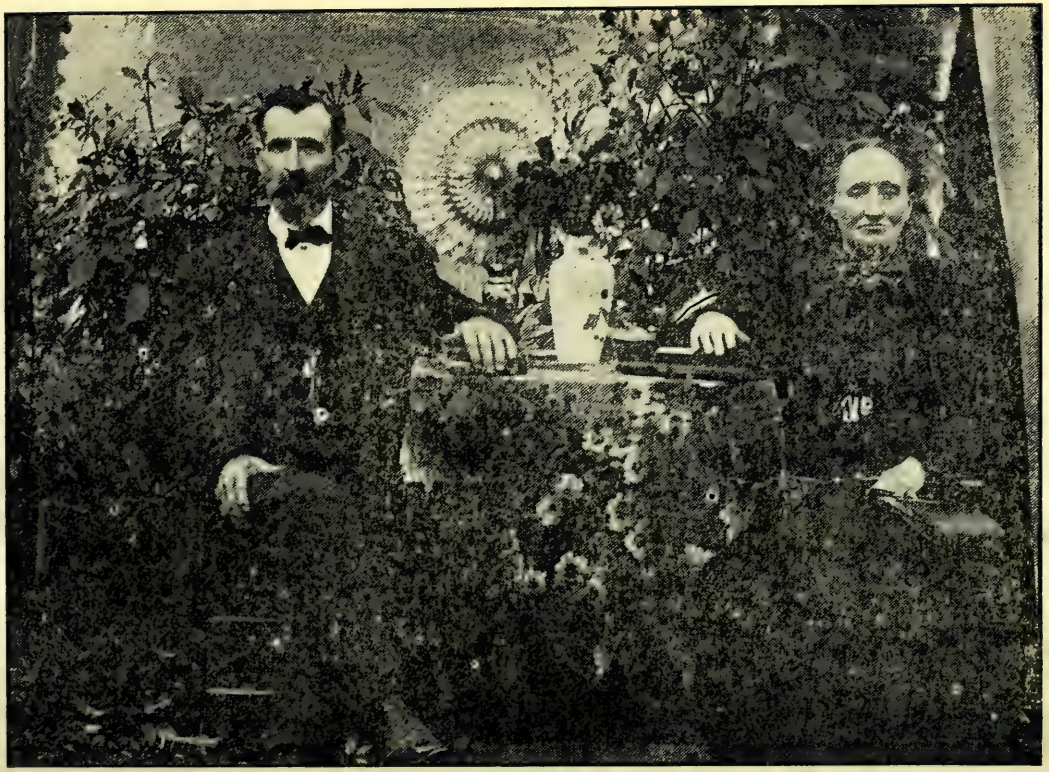

REV. ELIHU TUCKER, Former Moderator of the Ashe Association, and Wife.

DIRECTORS OF THE ASHE ASSOCIATION

Prof. J. C. Goodman Moderator, ... Beaver Creek, N. C.
James Eller, Vice President, ... Bina, N. C.
J. W. Duncan, Clerk and Treasurer, ... Beaver Creek, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

C. W. Phillips, Chairman,	Beaver Creek,	N. C.
J. C. Green, Secretary,	Fleetwood,	"
W. T. Harless,	Beaver Creek,	"
F. R. Jones,	Lansing,	"
J. F. Dillard,	Orion,	"

The above named Executive Committee, with the following were named members of the Board of Missions for the Ashe Association:

Prof. Ira T. Johnson,	Jefferson,	N. C.
J G. Welch,	Lansing,	"
Mrs. D. C. Severt,	Obids,	"
Mrs. J. O. Goodman,	Beaver Creek,	"
Miss Minnie Haire,	Fleetwood,	"

MEMBER STATE MISSION BOARD

H. A. Eller, Bina, N. C.

RESIDENT PASTORS

Barker, W. F.	Grassy Creek,	N. C.
Blackburn, S. Coy,	Todd,	"
Burkett, R. M.	Jefferson,	"
Denney, W. E.	Grassy Creek,	"
Haire, P. H.	Fleetwood,	"
Hamby, J. M.	Bina,	"
Hayse, T. M.	Nathans Creek,	"
Pennington, Geo. M.	Konnarock,	Va.
Spencer, J. O.	Grassy Creek,	N. C.
West, E. P.	West Jefferson,	"

NON RESIDENT PASTORS

Green, J. L.	Hopkins,	N. C.
Michael, W. H.	Trade,	Tenn.

ORDAINED MINISTERS NOT PASTORS

Blevins, E.	Grassy Creek,	N. C.
Davis, John A.	Grayson,	"
Carlton W. E	Baldwin,	Md.
Cope, C. M.	Kindrick,	Va.
Grubb, T. W.	Todd,	N. C.
Howell, J. G.	Jefferson,	"
Miller, Ed O.	Rhine,	"

Neaves, J. M.	Crumpler,	N. C.
Trivett, J S	Fleetwood,	"
Stanley, J F	Hemlock,	"
Wilcox, Joseph	Summit,	"

Licentiates:

Ashley, Joseph	Edison,	N. C.
Hurley, W L	Othello,	"

ORDER OF BUSINESS

FIRST DAY, 10 A. M.

1. Introductory Sermon.
2. Election of Officers and Organization.
3. Roll Call of Churches.
4. Reception of Churches.

Adjournment.

FIRST DAY, 1 P. M.

1. Invitation to Visitors.
2. Reading Abstract of Principles and Constitution.
3. Appointment of Committees.
4. Report on Biblical Recorder and Sunday Schools.
5. Report on Religious Exercises.
6. Announcement of Homes for Messengers and Visitors.

SECOND DAY, 9 A. M.

1. Devotional Exercises
2. Report on Missions.
3. Report on Digest of Church Letters.
4. Report on Pastoral Support
5. Report on Temperance.

SECOND DAY, 1 P. M.

1. Report on Education.
2. Report on Place and Preacher.
3. Report on Naming Executive Committee.
4. Report on Orphanage.
5. Report on Religious Exercises.

THIRD DAY, 9 A. M.

1. Devotional Exercises.
2. Report of Committee on Finance.
3. Report on 75-Million Campaign.
4. Report on Resolutions.
5. Adjournment.

Churches and Delegates

Apple Grove—By letter.
Ball Mountain—B H Duncan.
Baptist Home—L J Sturgill, E M Johnson.
Beaver Creek - C W Phillips, J O Goodman, J L Goodman.
Bethel—T H Brown, J P Goodman, J A Johnson.
Big Flats—R C Parsons, Rev. P H Haire.
Bristol—Emmit Bullins, Miss Nora Wallace.
Buffalo—W T Harless, J F Hodgson.
Forest Home—J M Parsons, W A Johnson.
Friendship—J E Weatherspoon, T K Luther, David Burket.
Glendale—J D Wingler, Charley Harless.
Healing Springs—I N Hudler, W W Blackburn, J L Hudler.
Jefferson—Ira T Johnson, R R Griggs, Emma Testerman.
Laurel Knob—F N Stephens, Lawson Edwards.
Landmark—W L Hurley, J C Denney, A P Barker.
Liberty Grove—J A Howell, J P Howell, J L Miller.
Liberty Hill—W G Jones, J H Wagoner.
Long Branch—Joe Poe, J G Welch, Monroe Welch.
Meadow View—By letter.
Mission Home—J F Blackburn, W C Blackburn, J E Johnson.
New River—K Dixon, Carrie Blackburn.
Obids—C L Mash, D C Severt, Neal Mash, Mrs. D C Severt.
Oldfields—G F Blackburn, L D Blackburn, J R Johnson.
Orion—W J Bare, E D Coldiron, W H Miller.
Peak Valley—W H Tyre, W W Munday.
Phœnix—E C Eller, J W Barr, J M Hamby.
Pilot Mountain—C Tucker, Vester Phillips.
Pleasant Hill—By Letter.
Pleasant Home—E A Eller, W R Lovelace.
Tuckerdale—W H Darnell, Frank Tucker, Jr.
Valley Home—O E Laurance, Jesse Jones.
West Jefferson—Geo B Dogget, Conrad Hopkins.
Zion Hill—By letter.

Big Laurel and Mountain View not represented by either Messenger or letter.

Standing Committees.

Foreign Missions: C S Blackburn, J P Howell.
Home Missions: J O Spencer, I N Huddler.
State Missions: E C Eller, J G Welch.

Biblical Recorder: J O Goodman.
Pastoral Support: J F Hodgson, David Harless.
Christian Education: B H Duncan, Dell Goodman, J S Hopkins.
Orphanage: L J Sturgill, J A Davis, Will Clark.
Digest Ch. Letters: D C Severt, J G Welch, J H Wagoner.
Obituaries: Dr. S L Perkins, Ross Griggs.
Sunday Schools: Ira T Johnson, Lawerence Blackburn.
75-Million Campaign: All the delegates to the next Association.

CONSTITUTION

Art. 1. This body shall be called the Ashe Association.

2. The object of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the gospel in our bounds, and in all the world, and in this work the Association will co-operate with the Baptist Convention of North Carolina.

3. The members of this body shall be all the ordained ministers of the churches of this Asssociation, and three delegates from each church, who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment, and giving statistics of the membership and work of the church.

4. At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a moderator, clerk and treasurer, in such way as the association may direct. The last two offices may be held by the same brother.

5. The moderator shall preside at the meetings, preserve order, appoint committees, and perform such other duties as are required of presiding officers.

6. The clerk shall keep a correct record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing and distribution to the churches, the proceedings of the body.

7. The treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent to the Association, to pay them out as the association may direct, and make a report at each annual session.

8. The Association shall hold an annual meeting at such time and place as may be agreed upon

9. At each annual meeting there shall be appointed an executive committee of five brethren, who shall look after the destitution in the bounds of this association, and co-operate with the State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention, making to the next session a report of the work done and all the general State Mission work

10. The Association shall convene annually on Thursday before the first Sunday in September. At each annual session there shall be appointed committees to make reports to the ensuing session, on the following subjects to-wit: State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Pastoral Support, Ministerial Education, Baptist Or-

phanage, Biblical Recorder, Temperance, Digest of Church Letters, Finance, Place and Preacher for next Association.

11. Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed

12. The Association will not retain in permanent fellowship any Church that retains in its fellowship any member who is disorderly in doctrine or practice, or who makes, sell, or in any way deals in ardent spirits as a beverage.

13. This Constitution may be amended by a vote of two thirds of the members present at any annual session.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES

1. We believe in only one true and living God, and that there are three persons in the God-head, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, and that these three are one.

2. We believe that the Bible, the New and Old Testament, is the Word of God and the only rule of faith and practice.

3. We believe in the impotency of man and the sovereignty of God.

4. We believe that salvation is by Grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ to be practicted only by believers in their Scriptural order.

6. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator and that only those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and doctrine should take the Lord's Supper.

7. We believe in the final perseverence of the saints in grace to glory.

8. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment.

We believe that the existence of the righteous and the wicked will both be of eternal duration, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

RULES OF ORDER

1. Every session shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. When the Moderator calls the house to order every member shall at once take his seat.

3. When a member wishes to speak he shall rise and address the Moderator, and not proceed till he is recgonized.

4. No member shall speak more than twice on any subject except by permission of the body.

5. No member shall leave the body during the session without permission of the Moderator.

6. It will be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold private conversation while any person is speaking.

PROCEEDINGS

Oval, N. C.
Thursday, August 31, 1922.

The Ashe Association met in its 36th annual session with Bethel Missionary Baptist church at 11 a. m. and the proceedings were as follows: The Introductory sermon was preached by Rev. S. C. Blackburn. Text, Romans 1: 16: "I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth, to the Jew first, and also to the Greek."

2. Election of officers by private ballot, resulting in the election of Prof. J. C. Goodman Moderator and J. W. Duncan Clerk and Treasurer.

Adjourned for 1 hour for refreshments. Prayer by J.S. Hopkins.

3. Thursday evening session, 1 p. m. Prayer by Rev. G. M. Pennington.

4. Roll call of churches, 33 handed in letters.

5. Liberty Grove handed in letter from Three Forks Association and was received into full fellowship with the body.

6. Upon invitation to visitors, Rev. Fred Blackburn from South Fork Association; Mrs. T. G. Nanney from Lebanon Association, representing Women's Missionary Union; J. Richard Car of Sevier Association; Rev. T. G. Nanney of Lebanon Association; Rev. N.T. McManaway of Oak Hill School and Dr. C. E. Maddry, representing the 75-Million Campaign, were seated with the body.

7. Constitution, Abstract of Principles and Rules of Order were read by B. H. Duncan.

8. Move to change rule 6 of Rules of Order to read, while any person is speaking, instead of moderator.

9. The Mod. appointed the delegates of Bethel church a Committee on Religious Exercises. They report that Rev. E. Blevins will preach at the stand at 2 p. m. Text, John 15: 4.

10. Supplying absentees—

State Missions: E. C. Eller, and J. Fred Blackburn.
Digest Church Letters: D C Severt, J G Welch, J H Wagoner.
Sunday School: S. C. Blackburn, I. N. Hudler.
Temperance: G. M. Pennington, L. J. Sturgill.
Finance: J. E. Johnson, C. W. Phillips, E. C. Eller, J. F. Blackburn.

11. Committee on Place and Preacher: Delegates from Healing Springs, Tuckerdale, Long Branch, Buffalo, Orion, Laurel Knob, Apple Grove and Meadow View.

12. By motion the Executive Committee of last year was reappointed, to-wit: (See page 20 Minute of last year.)

C. W. Phillips, Chairman, Beaver Creek, N. C.
J. C. Green, Secretary, Fleetwood, N. C.
W. T. Harless, Beaver Creek, N C.
F. R. Jones, Bina, N. C.
J. F. Dillard, Orion, N. C.

13. Committee on Religious Exercises report that Rev. W. F. Barker preached at the church at 8 p. m. Text Acts 2: 25. Rev. Julian S. Hopkins to conduct devotional exercises on Friday, Sept 1st at 9:30 a. m.

14. The Association by motion recommended the Executive Committee to employ and send as many as two preachers to Clifton to hold a meeting and try to reclaim the former Clifton church.

15. Announcement of homes for messengers and visitors was announced by J. P. Goodman. Adjourned to meet at 9:30 a. m. Friday, Sept. 1st 1922. Prayer by Rev. P. H. Haire

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION, Sept. 1, '22.

16. The association met according to adjournment. One hour was spent in devotional exercises conducted by Rev. J. S. Hopkins.

17. The proceedings of Thursday's session were read by Clerk and adopted.

18. Report on Biblical Recorder was read by J. O Goodman.

Discussed by Dr. Chas E. Maddry and J. O. Goodman After the talks there were 13 new subscriptions and 6 renewals taken for the Recorder. Report adopted.

BIBLICAL RECORDER

The Biblical Recorder is indispensable to the Baptist work of N.C Our people are not mean and stingy. They love the Lord and His Kingdom. They want to do His will, but they lack information. Many of them do not know the need of a lost world. If they were informed they would gladly give themselves and their means for the spread of his Kingdom.

Our greatest single agency for giving this information, the pulpit excepted, is the Biblical Recorder. We ought to do everything in our power to get every Baptist family in the Ashe Association to take and read the Recorder and Charity and Children.

The literature our children read should be of the highest order, because it will in large measure mould their lives and destiny.

J. O. Goodman, Com.

19. Report on Christian Education read by B. H. Duncan. Spoken to by Dell Goodman, B. H. Duncan, Walter Johnson, J. Richard Car, Dr. Chas. E. Maddry, Rev. Julian S. Hopkins and adopted

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Christian Education is fundamental to civilization. Knowledge is the dynamic of progress. Thought is the forerunner of action. We should thank God for our systen of Baptist Education. But should we be thankful for Christian Education as a theory, or as a practical asset to our denomination? We are facing social unrest, disquietude and uncertainty which is the result of the back-wash of the World-war. No decade of history is so momentous as the one we are now passing through. Organized Christianity is facing a mighty foe; but if we underpin the civilization of the earth with the principles of the gospel and school the world through and through with the life of Christ, then we will pass through the baptism of blood into a new life of glory.

Our denominational schools are the chief mediums by which we can educate a ministry to cope with the materialistic education that is threatening to gain a superiority in our civilization. As a unit in our denomination, this association must stand loyally by our school at Kendrick, Va., Grayson Co., because the products of this school will greatly aid in saving the principles of Christ and propagating His truths in the world.

Therefore, be it resolved, That we, the Ashe Association, pledge our prayers, our influence and patronage to the Oak Hill School.

Amendment to this report:

Be it resolved further, That this Association re-affirm its faith, support and allegience to the Board of Trustees of Wake Forest College.

B. H. Duncan,
A. D. Goodman.

20. Report on Religious Exercises, announced that Rev. J. G. Howell and James Sexton preach at the stand at 11 a. m., Dr. Chas. E. Maddrey at 2 p. m. Report adopted.

21. Report on Pastoral Support was read by Joe F. Hodgson, discussed by J. F. Hodgson, Rev. T. G. Nanney and Rev. Geog. M. Pennington. Report adopted.

PASTORAL SUPPORT

Your committee on Pastoral Support realize that we have gained some ground on the line of pastoral support. But we feel that we are loosing out by not having our churches formed in field-work, so that we can pay our pastors a better salary, and thereby loose their hands for daily service that they may better serve their churches and help to save the lost. When Jesus sent His little church out He told them to take nothing, but let the working man be worthy of his meat. So, let us do all we can for Pastoral Support.

Submitted, J. F. Hodgson.

21a. Report of Executve Committee read and adopted.

REPORT

We the Executive Committee submit the following: It has been reported that Big Laurel, Gleadale, Clifton and Forest Home are in need of aid We recommend that some able revivalist be sent to these places to hold meeting.

David Harless, C. W. Phillips, J F Dillard, W. T. Harless.

22. Moderator appointed Ira T. Johnson, Dr. Chas. E. Maddry and H. C. Tucker committee on resolutions.

23. A resolution was passed to form a Mission Board for the Association. The Moderator, Clerk and Executive Committee were empowered to appoint two men and three women, with the present Executive Committee, to form this board, They appointed Prof. Ira T. Johnson, J. G. Welch, Mrs. D. C. Severt, Mrs. J. O. Goodman and Miss Minnie Haire.

24. Adjourned 1 hour for refreshment. Prayer by Rev. P. H. Haire.

25. Friday evening session, Sept 1, 1922

After refreshments the association was called to order by the Moderator. Prayer by Rev. T. G. Nanney.

26. Reports on State, Home and Foreign Missions read. Discussed by Dr. Chas. E Maddry. Reports adopted.

STATE MISSIONS

We should be deeply concerned about all phases of our mission work, Foreign, Home, and State, but it seems that some are not able to overcome provincialism. Some are not in sympathy with Foreign Missions, others are just well wishers of Home Missions, but surely there are no liberty loving, God fearing Baptist in North Carolin whose vision and interest does not cover the entire state. We have a great state and should covet it for the kingdom of Heaven.

If we do cover it for the kingdom of God, then we should support the agencies that are working for its salvation.

State Missions fosters, evangelization and education. Our young people, woman's work, Sunday-schools, and enlistment work. Rev. E. L Middleton, our Sunday school Sec. with a force of workers, is doing a great work in the State for our Sunday-schools. Dr. Chas. A Maddry, our new yet beloved State Sec. is a man of vision, consecration and action, and will lead the host of North Carolina Baptists to victory if we will but rally to our pledges and uphold his hands.

He has a force of evangelists and enlistment men who will give their entire time to work in the state at large. He can plan no greater work than we lay the foundation for by our support.

Therefore we heartily commend the work of State Missions to all our churches and beg their co operation for the coming year.

T. Grady Nanney, Com.

HOME MISSIONS

The larger things made possible for Home Missions by the 75-million campaign can probably be best suggested in Secretary B. D. Gray's announcement that the Home Mission Board received in money during the first year of the campaign nearly three times as much as the yearly average for the five years preceeding the launching of this forward movement.

The Home Board receipts from May 1st 1919, to May 1st 1921, have been 3,201,486 85. This amount has made possible larger results on the home fields.

During the last two years from May 1st 1919, to May 1st 1921, there has been a total of 77,377 additions to the membership of local Baptist churches of the South—a gain over 1918 of more than 20,000. Of this number of additions, 45,092 came by baptism.

For the last year the Home Board was able to report the enlisting of 4,087 young people in some definite form of Christian service.

The number of Missionaries employed by the Board was increased to 1,656. The number of new churches constituted by them was 258.

The number of church buildings built or improved 524, and the number of Sunday schools organized 835.

This is only a brief summary of some of the things that are being accomplished by the Home Board.

There is yet a greater work to do. Other fields to be explored that haven't yet been opened. The opening up of those fields depends greatly upon the churches of the south. Then realizing as we do the urgent need, we want to urge the brethren and sisters who pledged to the 75 Million fund, to pay your pledges and ask others who have not yet given any thing to make a contribution to this great cause, as the Lord has prospered them.

Submitted,

Rev. W. E. Denney, Com.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

We the Missionary Baptist of America, who have already on the Foreign Fields 300 dependant churches with over 11000 out stations and with 10 Theological schools and over 500 colleges and schools of lower grades, hospitals, dispensaries and publishing houses; with the teaming millions of the unsaved, ignorant of Christ and His love.

We being obligated by God's command, should never shrink from our duty or fail to support any of God's causes by furnishing men

and money that the gospel of Christ can reach these foreign fields as this is the only means by which it can reach them that so much stand in need of this gospel. Submitted by

Rev. P. H. Haire and J. P. Howell.

27. Adjourned to meet at 9: 30 a. m. Saturday Sept 2, 1922.

The committee on Religious Exercises report Rev. J. G. Howell to conduct devotional exercises at 9 a. m.

Prayer by Rev. J. Fred Blackburn.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION, Sept. 2, 1922.

28. The Association met according to adjournment. One hour was spent in devotional exercises conducted by Rev. J. G Howell

29. The proceedings of Friday's session were read by the clerk and adopted.

30. Report on Temperance read by L. J. Sturgill. Discussed by Rev. G. M. Pennington, L. J. Sturgill, Rev. S. C. Blackburn, R. C. Parsons, Will Hurley, W. T. Harless, J. C. Goodman, David Harless Report adopted.

TEMPERANCE

We your committee recommend that this association re-affirm its doctrine against the evil of strong drink and that our pastors preach against it with all their power. We are convinced that if all the professed Christians of Ashe county would practice what they profess and cease to aid in any way the "Boot leggers" and "Moon shiners" and give their aid to the officers and help to inforce the law, that the liquor trafic would cease to bother us very much.

As sure as a boot legger sells a gallon of the damnable stuff to a leading church member, he is safe and sound from any prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

L. J. Sturgill, Rev. G. M. Pennington.

31. Report on Sunday Schools read, and discussed by Rev. S. C. Blackburn, E. M. Johnson, L. J. Sturgill, Will Hurley, G. M. Pennington, J. F. Hodgson, David Harless, Rev. P. H. Haire, J. M. Hamby. Report adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Your committee can do no better than stress the report on S. S. adopted at last session, and add that this work is just as important a work of the church as any other, and rank with, and go hand in hand with preaching the gospel, evangelization and missionary effort. Let all our churches keep this work on the increase during the entire year

On motion the Association appointed W. W. Blackburn, J. C. Greene, John Anderson, David Harless, D. C. Severt, Miss Minnie

TABLE I. CHURCH DIRECTORY

CHURCHES	PASTOR	P. O.	CLERK	P. O.	Sundays of Meeting	Received by Baptism	Letters	Statements	Restoration	Lost by letter	Exclusions	Deaths	Total present Membees	Total Value of Ch. Property
Apple Grove	W. F. Barker,	Grassy Creek, NC	H. Miller	Whitetop, Va.	3	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	41	$ 800
Ball Mountain	P. H. Haire,	Fleetwood, "	J. T. Campbell	Beaver Creek,	1	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	62	1000
Baptist Home	J. M. Hamby,	Bina, "	L. J. Sturgill	Parker, N. C.	1							1	25	200
Beaver Creek	None.		J O Goodman	Beaver Creek									47	400
Bethel	G W Sabastian,	N. Wilkesboro	C W Phillips	Beaver Creek	1	4				1			104	3000
Big Flats	R M Burkett	Jefferson, N.C.	Minnie Haire,	Fleetwood, "	3	3				1	2	1	62	1200
Big Laurel														
Bristol	J M Hamby,	Bina "	Nora Wallace,	Jefferson "	2	7	2					1	61	322
Buffalo	S C Blackburn;	Todd,	W A Campbell,	Beaver Creek	3	1				5	4		98	700
Clifton														
Forest Home	W E Denny	Silas Creek	J H Ashley,	Warrensville	3					5	1		33	500
Friendship	W F Barker	Grassy Creek	E F Marsh,	Jefferson	4	3				1	4	2	94	800
Glendale	T M Hayes	Nathans Creek	J D Wingler,	Glendale Spngs	3						2		64	1000
Healing Spngs	J O Spencer	Grassy Creek	W H Wiles,	Crumpler	4					3		1	66	500
Jefferson	E P West	W. Jefferson	Bazel Barr	W. Jefferson	4		1			2			55	750
Landmark	James Sexton	Edison	C I Stuart	Jefferson	4		1		1	3	6	1	163	1100
Laurel Knob	W H Michael	Trade, Tenn.	J G Pearson	Todd		5				2		1	68	1000
Liberty Grove	T M Hayes	Nathans Creek	L N Keller	Garren "	2	7				2			57	1000
Liberty Hill			J H Wagoner	Nathans Creek	4	5	5			1			76	400
Long Branch	G M Pennington	Konnarock, Va	J G Welch	Lansing	3	6	1	14		1	1		62	1500
Meadow View	W E Denny	Grassy Creek	C C Barker	Grassy Cree k	1					2			38	1050
Mission Home	G W Sabastian	N. Wilkesboro	J F Blackburn	Fleetwo d	1	6	2			1	1		112	600
Mountainview														
New River	J O Spencer	Grassy Creek	W D Brown	Weavers Ford	3	6				2	1	4	151	1200
Obids	T M Hayes	Nathans Creek	D C Severt	Obids	3		1		1	3	1		68	1000
Old Fields	J L Greene	Hopkins	L D Blackburn	Idlewild	4	2				2	3	2	153	

Orion	T M Hayes	Nathans Creek	J F Dillard	Orion	1		3			5	2		53	1000
Peak Valley	W H Michael	Trade, Tenn.	John H Michael,	Trade, Tenn.	3					2		1	39	400
Phœnix	W F Barker	Grassy Creek	H A Eller	Bina N.C.	2	1	3			3		1	75	1000
Pilot Mountain	J M Griggs	Todd	C Tucker	Brownwood	2	17	3			11	1		60	400
Pleasant Hill	J F Walton	Widners Val. Va	Treely Miller,	White Top, Va.	4		1			3	2		53	800
Pleasant Home	J O Spencer	Grassy Creek	Clay Hudler	Grassy Creek	2	1						2	75	1000
Tuckerdale	James Sexton	Edison	E L Tucker	Tuckerdale	2	9		2			1	1	50	1500
Valley Home	G M Pennington,	Konnarock Va	D R Jones	Toliver	1	6							86	1000
W. Jefferson	E P West	W. Jefferson	A M Jones	W. Jefferson	1&3	28	4	1	6	3			117	2000
Zion Hill			W H Sheets	Index									18	
			Total			120	27	17	8	56	33	19	2356	$29122
			Total Last Year			160	51		9	31	29	20	2246	27750
			Increase				24			25	4		90	1372
			Decrease			40			1			1		

Haire and J. G. Welch to visit as many churches as possible in the association in the interest of the Sunday school work.

32. Report on Orphanage read by Rev. Coy Blackburn. Discussed by Rev. P. H. Haire, J. C. Goodman, W. T. Harless, J. G. Welch, L. J. Sturgill, E. M. Johnson, J.F.Hodgson, J.O.Goodman.

ORPHANAGE

With each passing year we feel more keenly our obligation to the children who cry to us for help and friendship. And as this obligation is more clearly seen and felt we are gradually providing more and better room.

The Thomasville Orphanage has in its care the largest group of children of any other organized body in the state. Counting the 105 children aided in their own homes we are caring for 647 boys and girls that are now growing into promising manhood and womanhood. More than 2100 have received this most helpful service and it is ever the aim of our management to make them happier, healthier and wiser and purer in spirit. It is a training institution that builds character, dignifies labor and trains for life.

Our health record has been so good that we scarcely think of the sickness side of it at all. One of our fine boys, Thurman McDaniel, was killed in Feburary almost instantly by being thrown from a mule.

Our dairy herd at Thomasville and the Kennedy Home are gradually being improved. Several cows have given as much as ten gallons per day and every child has an average of over a quart of milk per day. Our supply of home made bacon is the best in our history, saving us the necessity of buying any during the year. The farm and dairy at the Kennedy Home made a small profit. The printing department made a profit of $4,682.99, all of which went into the general treasury to help support the children.

One of our greatest fields of enlargment is Mother's Aid. We are now helping more than 100 children with their mothers at about one third of the cost of keeping them in the Orphanage. This work is appealing more and more to the popular mind as it not only keeps the child with his own mother but is much more economical.

At the recent meeting of the Board of Trustees they threw out a challenge to individuals and associations for three more dormitories so that we may take more children that are clamoring for admittance. There were 611 applications turned away last year on account of lack of room. To give relief to this great throng of children we must largely increase our Current Fund. What comes into the treasury is barely enough to take care of the Orphanage.

Your committee would again recommend:

1. A monthly contribution from every Sunday School in this Asso.

2. The plan of setting apart ONE DAY FOR THE ORPHANAGE at or near Thanksgiving by every man, woman and child in this association.

3. A club of Charity & Children in the well organized Sunday Schools with an individual copy to as many others as possible.

Respectfully submitted.

Coy Blackburn, } Com.
W. F. Barker, }

33. Report on Devotional Exercise. Report that Rev. Coy Blackburn preach at the stand at 11 a.m. Text, John 1—4-8

34. Report of committee on Place and Preacher for next associaton. Place, Healing Springs, preacher, J. O. Spencer. Alternate, J. D. Sexton.

34a. Report on Digest Church Letters read and adopted.

DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS

From the reports of 33 churches, we your committee, submit the following report:

Value of church property $29,122.35. Received by baptism, 120, by letter 27; by restoration 25. Losses: By letter 56; exclusion 33; by death 19. Total gain 64. Membership 2,356.

Financial: Pastors' salaries $2,538.29; Building and repairs 749.-95; Incidentals $81.49; Sunday School expenses $224.82; The poor $172.09; Minute fund $71.46; 75-Million (undes.) $722.91; State Missions 184.26; Foreign Missions 17.15; Home Missions 24.75; Orphanage 268.25; Christian Education 15.00; Ministerial Relief $6.85; Foreign Relief 17.00. By comparison of 1921 and 1922 of only 31 churches represented in 1921 and 33 session 1922, net gain membership 64. Total loss for all objects $4057.17. We find the loss is principally in building and repairs.

J. G. Welch, D. C. Severt, J. H. Wagoner.

34b. Report on Resolutions read and adopted.

RESOLUTIONS

Your Committee on Resolutions beg leave to submit the following:

Be it resolved First: That this Association as a body extend to the people of the community and the church at Bethel heart-felt thanks and appreciation for the splendid hospitality and entertainment accorded the officers, delegates and visitors.

Second: That this Assooiation extend to our efficient Moderator, Brother J. C. Goodman, and our capable Clerk, Brother J. W. Duncan, the thanks and appreciation of Baptists generally in Ashe Co. for their service during this session and for their past and unfaltering leadership and loyalty to our cause.

TABLE 2. SUNADAY SCHOOLS

CHURCH	SUPT. & P.O.	SEC'Y. & P. O.	Officers and Teachers	Total Enrolled	Average Attendance	Church Members Enrolled	Baptisms from School	Local Expenses	For Missions	Total of all Contributions
Apple Grove	Lee Howell, White Top, Va.	A. Tucker, White Top, Va.	5	84	40	.....	.....	4.86	.....	.....
Ball Mountain	B. H. Duncan, Beaver Creek NC	J T Campbell, Beaver Creek	4	40	25	20		8.00		8.00
Baptist Home										
Beaver Creek	J C Goodman, " "		3	43	25					
Bethel.	T H Brown, Oval, N C							7.51		7.51
Big Flats	R C Parsons, Todd	Mrs J F Houck, Fleetwood	7	59	35	31		13.14		13.14
Big Laurel										
Bristol	Nora L Wallace, Jefferson	Annie W Wallace, Jefferson	6	69	40	22	7	2.71		2.71
Buffalo	J F Hodgson, Beaver Creek	T H Ray, Smethport, NC	6	50	35	30		6.69	23.55	30.24
Clifton										
Forest Home	J H Ashley, Warrensville, NC	Rosa Ashley, Warrensville	6	75	40	20		12.00		12.00
Friendship	W E Weaver, Jefferson,	Annie Little, Theta.	6	112	60	47		1.15		1.15
Glendale	A F Harless, Obids "	Clemma Severt, Obids "	6	121	61			6.51		6.51
Healing Spngs										
Jefferson.	James Haire, Jefferson.	Emma Testerman, Jefferson	6	80	45			23.60		23.60
Landmark	E Blevins, Grassy Creek.	Maudie Phipps, Grassy Creek	6	51	30	20		4.00		4.00
Laurel Knob	F N Stephens, Todd.	Lawson Edwards, Todd.	6	70	50	50		6.00		6.00
Liberty Grove	L N Keller, Garren,	Inez Howell, Riverside.	6	96	65	28		5.16		5.16
Liberty Hill	J H Wagoner, Nathans Creek,	Myrtle Wagoner, Riverside(?)	5	66	40	17		3.75		3.75
Long Branch	J G Welch, Lansing,	Ruth Welch, Lansing, N C	9	164	105	35	4	26.15		26.15
Meadow View										
Mission Home.	J C Green, Fleetwood,	Mrs J M Wellborn. [No P.O.]	6	106	65	25	4	4.26		4.26

Mountain view										
New River										
Obids	D C Severt, Obids,	Miss Gussie Mash, [No P. O.]	6	72	50	22		7.98		7.98
Old Fields	Mrs Cora Cheek, Hopkins,	Allen E Yates, Hopkins, N C.	6	106	70	50		12.00		12.00
Orion	W H Miller, Orion, "	Jesse Barr, Orion, "	6	61	40	12		5.29		5.29
Peak Valley	W H Tyree, Creston,		4	45	30	15		5.00		5.00
Phœnix	E C Eller, Bina,	Miss Lillie Barr [No P.O.]	7	73	40	27		10.80		10.80
Pilot Mountain	Minnie Phillips, Brownwood	Minnie Miller, Brownwood	5	4	22			2.00		2.00
Pleasant Hill										
Pleasant Home	M F Jones, Grassy Creek,	Eva B Hudler, Grassy Creek	6	26	18	9		11.75		11.75
Tuckerdale	Mrs F B Tucker, Tuckerdale,	Mrs W H Darnell, Tuckerdale	5	45	30	12		15.00		15.00
Valley Home	O E Lawrence, Toliver,	W T A Jones, Toliver.	7	87	63	32	4	6.38		6.38
W. Jefferson	E H Grayson, W. Jefferson,	Lena Gambill, W. Jefferson	7	137	105		12	25.00		25.00
Zion Hill										
	Total this year,					524	31	236.69	23.55	260.24

Third: That we express our appreciation to all the visitors for the excellent order and behavior manifested throughout the session.

Fourth: That this Association pledge its support and cooperation with the newly appointed Board of Missions of the Ashe Association, and pray that it might mean great progress in meeting our responsibilities and performing our common task.

Fifth: That this Association call upon every Baptist in Ashe Co. to stand four-square for law enforcement, and that we use our votes and our influence to promote the observance of all the laws of North Carolina and of the United States. Baptists have from time immemorial stood for religious freedom and the separation of Church and State; obligated to support the officers of the law.

Respectfully submitted.

Dr. Chas. E. Maddry,
H. C. Tucker,
Ira T. Johnson. } Com.

35. A public collection for the Orphanage was taken, amounting to $21.60. A collection was taken to help seat Bethel Church, amounting to $14.84.

36. Adjourned to meet with Healing Springs Missionary Baptist Church, 9 miles northeast of Jefferson, 8 miles east of Lansing R. R. station; Thursday before the first Sunday in September 1923, it being the 30--31 of August and the 1st day of September 1923.

Prayer by Rev. C.M. Cope.

J. C. GOODMAN, Moderator.
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FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

	Minute Funds	Orphanage	75 Million Undes.	Associational Missions
Apple Grove	2.00			
Ball Mountain	2.25			
Baptist Home	1.00			
Beaver Creek	2.00			7.87
Bethel	2.00			7.00
Big Flats	2.00			
Big Laurel				
Bristol	2.00			
Buffalo	3.00			
Clifton				
Forest Home	2.30		15.00	
Friendship	2.00			
Glendale	1.00			
Healing Springs	3.50			
Jefferson	1.00			
Landmark	3.00	3.00		
Laurel Knob	1.65			
Liberty Grove	2.00			
Liberty Hill	2.00			
Long Branch	2.00			
Meadow View	1.00			
Mission Home	1.50			
Mountain View				
New River	3.60			
Obids	1.15	1.00		
Old Fields	2.86			
Orion	2.00			
Peak Valley	1.75	3.50	2.50	
Phonex	5.00			
Pilot Mountain	1.00			
Pleasant Hill	1.00			
Pleasant Home	3.70			
Tuckerdale	3.00		30.00	
Valley Home	1.20			
W. Jefferson	5.00			
Zion Hill	1.00			
Total,	71.46	7.50	47.50	14.87

J. E. Johnston, E. C. Eller, J.F. Blackburn, C.W. Phillips, Com.

FINANCIAL

	Pastor's Salary	Incidentals	Building & Repairs	Ministerial Help	Local Poor	Literature for S.S. & B.Y.P.U.	Printing	Other Objects	Total Local Contributions
Apple Grove	19.95						2.00		21.95
Ball Mountain	39.25						2.25	27.89	69.39
Baptist Home	25.00						1.00		25.75
Beaver Creek							2.00		2.00
Bethel	138.61						2.00		140.61
Big Flats	69.70				40.84		2.00	27.40	139.94
Big Laurel									
Bristol	42.16						2.00		44.16
Buffalo	172.90	12.00			17.88		3.00	30.50	236.28
Clifton									
Forest Home	71.96	5.45					2 30		79.71
Friendship	104 50					?	2 00		99 50
Glendale	7.75	12.41		15.25		6.51	1 00		42 92
Healing Spngs	25.00		114.95				3.50		142.95
Jefferson	133.00	3.75		2.70	12.00	10.00	1 00		175.45
Landmark	15 50						3.00	3.20	22.20
Laurel Knob	115 71	4.00				6.00	1 65		127 36
Liberty Grove	150 00	16 01				5.16	2.00	24.45	221 12
Liberty Hill						3 75	2.00	15 00	20 75
Long Branch	70.23		500.00			26.15	2 00		598.38
Meadow View	6.00		55 00				1 00		62 00
Mission Home	117.67		40 00		5.75	4.26	1 50	19.80	188 96
Mountain view	Not represented								
New River	70 00		20 00				3.60	20 00	113 60
Obids	102.92	2 87				7.98	1.15	8 57	123 49
Old Fields	90 00						2.86	18 00	110 86
Orion	51 00				11.00	5.29	2.00		69.29
Peak Valley	41 10					5.00	1 75		47 85
Phœnix	90.00	5.00			25.00	10.80	5.00		135 80
Pilot Mountain	51.28					2.00	1.00		54 28
Pleasant Hill	10.00						1.00		11 00
Pleasant Home	30.50					3.75	3.70		37 95
Tuckerdale	50.00				35.00	15.00	3.00		103.00
Valley Home	67.60				4.62	6.38	1.20		79 80
W. Jefferson	600.00	25.00	25.00	200.00	20.00	25.00	5 00		900 00
Zion Hill							1.00		
TOTAL	2539.29	81.49	749 95	217.95	172.09	143.03	71.46		5248.07
Total last year.	2958.69	235.43	1109.02		249.02	319.90	70.01		

Jefferson reports $13. for "Other Salaries."

TABLE

75 Million (Undes.)	Foreign D Missions	Home D Missions	State D Missions	Schools & Colleges	Ministerial Educa'n	Orphanage	Ministerial Relief	Foreign Relief	Total 75-Million	Total all Contributions
22.50						23.72			46.22	123.61
15 75										41 50
105.72									105.72	118.72
31 00		7.00				6.00			44.00	161 61
60.04			7.50				6.85		74.39	227 47
										44.16
145.00										381.28
15.00										106.71
17 75										117.25
5.57		2.00							7.57	50.49
51 00										193 95
18 50						14.50		2 00	35 00	210 45
						29 63			22.63	44 83
						32.00				159 36
98.00					12 50	12 20			122 70	343 82
						20 90			20 90	41 65
15.00									15 00	613 38
										62 00
40.25		5.75				18.25			64.25	253 23
119 60	1 00					24 75			145 35	258 95
14.00						1 00			15.00	138 49
173 20										284.06
35.75				15.00					50 75	120 04
		10.00				1.00			11 00	58 85
69.50						7 50			77 00	212 80
										54 28
										11 00
15.50	8.00					36 80			60.30	98.25
30 00									30.00	133 00
	8 15		26.76						34 91	115 71
60 00			150 00			55 00		15 00	280 00	1180.00
722.91	17.15	24.75	484.26	15.00	12.50	268.25	6.85	17.00	1302.69	5998.90
1487.25	15.00	88.08	26.36	8.00			4.10		270.48	9912.35

Beaver Creek reports $13, for "Other Benevolences."

Church Treasurers and Post Offices

Apple Grove—H. A. Miller,	White Top, Va.
Ball Mountain—J. T. Campbell,	Beaver Creek, N.C.
Baptist Home—L J Sturgill,	Parker, "
Beaver Creek—J O Goodman,	Beaver Creek, "
Bethel—C W Phillips,	" " "
Big Flats—Minnie M Haire,	Fleetwood, "
Big Laurel—Not represented.	
Bristol—Nora L Wallace,	Jefferson, "
Buffalo—W A Campbell,	Beaver Creek, "
Clifton—	
Forest Home—J H Ashley,	Warrensville, "
Friendship—E F Marsh,	Jefferson, "
Glendale—J D Wingler,	Glendale Springs, "
Healing Springs—W H Wiles,	Crumpler, "
Jefferson—Bazil Barr,	West Jefferson, "
Landmark—C I Stewart,	Jefferson, "
Laurel Knob—J F Pearson,	Todd, "
Liberty Grove—L N Keller,	Garren, "
Liberty Hill—J H Wagoner,	Nathan's Creek, "
Long Branch—J G Welch,	Lansing, "
Meadow View—C C Barker,	Grassy Creek, "
Mission Home—J F Backburn,	Fleetwood, "
Mountain View—Not rep.	
New River—W D Brown,	Weavers Ford, "
Obids—D C Severt,	Obids, "
Old Fields—L D Blackburn,	Idlewild, "
Orion—J F Dillar,	Orion, "
Peak Valley—John Michael,	Trade Tenn.
Phoenix—H A Eller,	Bina, N.C.
Pilot Mountoin—C Tucker,	Brownwood, "
Pleasant Hill—Treely Miller,	White Top, Va.
Plesant Home—Clay Hudler,	Grassy Creek, N. C.
Tuckerdale—E L Tucker,	Tuckerdale, "
Valley Home—D R Jones,	Toliver, "
West Jefferson—A M Jones,	W. Jefferson, "
Zion Hill—W H Sheets,	Index, "

Note: This list of Church Treasurers should have appeared in the Financial Table, but there was not room.—Printer.

WOMAN'S WORK

Churches	Organization	President or Leader	P. O.	Sunbeams	Total Enrolled all organizations	mission study Classes	Enrolled in Misssion study Classes	Total Seals Received	Subs. to Royal Service	To 75 Million Campaign	Special benevolences	Total W.M.U. Contributions
Beaver Creek	W.M.S.	Mrs. J.O. Goodman,	Beaver Creek N.C.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	42.45	.....	42.45
Big Flats	Sunbeams	Mrs. F. L. Houck,	Fleetwood, "									
		" Ressie Scott,	Garren, "	98						43.25	4.10	48.33
Buffalo	W.M.S.	Susan Harless,	Smethport, "		10					9.00	6.00	15.00
Jefferson	W.M.S.	Mrs. C. B. Baugass,	Jefferson, "		10				3			12.00
Obids	B.Y.P.U.	D. C. Severt,	Obids, "		21			Lit.	8.57			
West Jefferson.	W.M.S.	Mrs. E. P. West,	W. Jefferson, "	10	15	1	12	1	6	8.00	20.00	28.00

B. Y. P. U. WORK

Church	President and Post Office	Sr. B.Y.P.U.	Seniors Enrolled	Junior Unions	Total Unions	Total Enroll'd	Unions taking Study Course	Total Systematic givers	No. volunteers for Ministry or Missions
Obids	D. C. Severt, Obids, N. C			21	21				
W. Jefferson	Mrs. W. C. Johnson, W. Jefferson, N. C.	1	35		1	35	20	6	1

Obituaries

REV. ELIHU TUCKER

Rev. Elihu Tucker was born June 15 1850, and departed this life June 25, 1922, being 72 years and 10 days old. On August 6, 1871 he was married to Sarah Ann Blevins. To this union were born 12 children. Seven have gone to the world beyond. Five are still living.

In 1884, Bro. Tucker professed a hope in Christ and joined Apple Grove Missionary Baptist church where he remained until the church was dissolved. He then joined at Windfall and remained until it was moved to Tuckerdale where he joined and remained a faithful member until death.

He was ordained to preach at church where he first joined in 1889 by Revs. D. W Thomassen, Soloman Blackburn and Neal Blevins.

His ministerial career covered a period of 34 years, during which time, except until about 4 years ago when his health failed him, he devoted a large part of his time to the cause which he seemed to love so much.

For several years he was Moderator of the Ashe Association, in which he served with credit for himself and honor to his church. Besides this and being pastor of several of the strongest churches, he did evangelistic work under the direction of the State Mission Board. The strenuous efforts put forth while in this work was the cause of his losing his health.

Bro. Tucker was a kind neighbor, friend, husband and father. But, his strongest points, perhaps, were his strong convictions, his courage to express them, and his faith in God.

Surely, "Whom the Lord loveth He chasteneth", for no one within our knowledge has been more severely treated

During his sickness his suffering was intense, but he bore it patiently and seemed to be at all times submissive to him "who doeth all things well."

Having been speechless for some time, just before he died he joined in a song in which his voice was audible and then fell asleep to wake no more until the resurrection.

To the living we would say, let us resolve to meet this father and brother where no night cometh, but where the sunlight of the Eternal God drives all darkness away.

C. M. Dickson.

J. K. PARSONS

Brother J. K. Parsons was born in 1895, and died July 27th 1922, age twenty-seven years. He had been in poor health for some time and was stricken with typhoid fever which was fatal to him. Mr.

Parsons was a kind husband, father, son and neighbor and many hearts were saddened at his death. He left a wife, four children, father, mother, three brothers, four sisters and an aged grandmother. He professed faith in Jesus Christ at an early age and joined the Big Flats Church where he remained a faithful, consistent member till death. For sometime prior to death he strived to be more consecrated to God. When afflicted and could no longer bow upon his knees he would call his wife and children to him and pray God's blessings upon his home and family.

LEVI F. McCLURE

Levi F. McClure was born May 10, 1856 and died September 17, 1921, age sixty-five years, four months and three days. He was married twice and was the father of twelve children, seven of whom are now living. He professed faith in Christ and united with the Bristol Baptist church about thirty years ago, remaining a faithful member till death. The church has lost a faithful and loyal member; the community a good citizen and the children a kind and affectionate father.

NORA HAZEL SEXTON

Nora Hazel Sexton, daugher of J. E. and Lessie Sexton, was born October 12, 1920 and departed this life January 20, 1922, age one year, three months and eight days.

JAMES T. DAVIS

James T. Davis was born April 16, 1898 and died April 14, 1921, age 22 years, 11 months and 28 days. He was one of Ashe County's most noble young men whose morals were above the average.

ALPHA JANE HURLEY

Alpha Jane Hurley was born August 25, 1847 and died Feburary 28 1922, age 74 years, 6 months and three days. She professed a hope in Christ at an early age and joined Landmark Baptist Church, living a Christian life till death. She was stricken with paralysis about five years ago and was bed fast about fifteen months. Sister Hurley leaves an aged husband and 10 children to mourn her departure.

S. E. CHURCH

Sister S. E. Church was born June 5, 1846 and died March 7, 1922, age 76 years, 9 months and one day. She was married to S. A. Church Jan. 16, 1868. To this union were born ten children. Sister Church joined the Old Fields Baptist Church and lived a faithful member till death.

CEILIA M. PHIPPS

Ceilia M. Phipps was born June 9, 1870, married Nov. 20, 1887

and died Dec. 5, 1921. Age 51 years, 6 months and 26 days She found faith in Christ while Rev. Floyd Fletcher was holding a meeting in the school house near what now is New River church; she was one of the four others in the organization. She was a model Christian and her departure was a sorrowful event to her many friends and relatives.

OWEN BLEVINS

Owen Blevins was born April 23, 1846 and died July 13, 1918, age 72 years, 2 months and 20 days. He joined Pleasant Home church while a young man and remained a member till death. Bro. Blevins loved his church and was always at his post of duty. He was a deacon at the time of his death. We have lost one of our best members.

SARAH BLEVINS

Sister Sarah Blevins was born June 22, 1844 and died Aug 7, 1918 Age 74 yrs , 2 mo. and 15 days. She married Owens Blevins She professed a hope in Christ and joined Pleasant Home church in early life and was a faithful member till death, always attending meetings when she could. She was sunshine wherever she went.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Beginning at the close of Asso. held with Bethel Church 1922.

Received of Finance Com., Minute Funds,	$71.46	
" " " " Orphanage,	7.50	
Collection at stand for "	21.60	
Paid to F. B. Hamrick, "		$29 10
Received of Finance Com., for 75 M undes.	47.50	
Paid to Walters Durham,		47.50
Received of Finance Com. for Asso. Missions,	14.87	
Paid to Walters Durham,		14.87
Paid to Will H. McGuire for printing Minutes,		53.70
Reserved balance of Minute Fund in hand for clerical services and postage,		17.76
Totals,	$162.93	$162.93

J. W. Duncan, Clerk & Treasurer.

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

C. W. Phillips, Chairman	Beaver Creek, N. C.
J. C. Green, Secretary	Fleetwood, N. C.
W. T. Harless,	Beaver Creek, N. C.
J. W. Barr,	Lansing, N. C.
J. F. Dillard,	Orion, N. C.

The above name Executive Committee, with the following were named members of the Board of Missions for the Ashe Association.

Ira T. Johnston	Jefferson, N. C.
J. G. Welch	Lansing, N. C.
Mrs. D. C. Severt	Obids, N. C.
Mrs. J. O. Goodman	Beaver Creek. N, C.
Miss Minnie Haire	Fleetwood, N. C.

MEMBER STATE MISSION BOARD

H. A. Eller — Bina, N. C.

RESIDENT PASTORS

Barker, W. F.	Grassy Creek,	N. C.
Blackburn, S. C.	Todd,	------
Blackburn, M. D.	Grassy Creek,	------
Blevins, Ezekiel		------
Burkett, R. M.	Jefferson,	------
Denny, W. E.	Silas Creek,	------
Denny, G. L.	Grassy Creek,	------
Eldreth, G. R.	Trout,	------
Howell, Lee	White Top,	Va.
Mitchell, O. B.	West Jefferson,	N. C.
Sexton, J. D.	Edison.	------
Spencer, J. O.	Grassy Creek,	------
Trivett, J. R.	Toliver,	------

NON RESIDENT PASTORS

Anderson, J. F.	Alexandria,	Va.
Michael, W. H.	Trade,	Tenn.
Pennington, G. M.	Konnarock,	Va.
Watts, F. C.	Purlear,	N. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS NOT PASTORS

Carlton, W. R.	Baldwin,	Md.
Cope, C. M.	Ore Knob,	N. C.
Davis, John A.	Grassy Creek,	------
Grubb, T. W.	Todd,	------
Haire, P. H.	Fleetwood,	------
Hamby, J. M.	Bina,	------

Hayes, T. M.	Nathans Creek,	
Hopkins, J. S.	West Jefferson,	
Howell, J. G.	Jefferon,	N. C.
Miller, Edd O.	Rhine,	
Neaves, J. M.	Crumpler,	
Stanley, J. F.	Hemlock,	
Trivett, J. S.	Fleetwood,	
Wilcox, Joseph	Summitt,	

ORDER OF BUSINESS

FIRST DAY, 10 A. M.

1. Introductory Sermon
2. Election of Officers
3. Roll Call of Churches
4. Reception of Churches

Adjournment

FIRST DAY, 2 P. M.

1. Invitation to visitors
2. Reading abstract of Principles and Constitution
3. Motions and Resolutions
4. Appointment of Committees
5. Report on Sunday Schools
6. Report on Christian Education
7. Collection Sunday School work
8. Report on Biblical Recorder
9. Announcements of homes for Messengers and Visitors

Adjournment

SECOND DAY, 10 A. M.

1. Devotional Exercise
2. Reading of Minute of Previous day
3. Report on Temperance
4. Report on Pastoral Support
5. Call for Visitors
6. Report on 75 Million Campaign
7. Report on State Missions
8. Report on Foreign Missions
9. Sermon---Missions

Adjournment

SECOND DAY, 1 P. M.

1 Report on Place and Preacher
2 Report of Nominating Committee
3 Report of Finance Committee
4 Report on Resolutions
5 Report on Orphanage
6 Lecture on B. Y. P. U.

Adjournment

CHURCHES AND DELEGATES

Apple Grove --J. R. Hasley, C. C. Campbell, H. A. Miller.
Bald Mountain---B. H. Duncan, J. T. Campbell, W. M. Hopkins.
Beaver Creek---W. F. Goodman, L. H. Goodman, J. O. Goodman.
Bethel---T. H. Brown, Dell Goodman, Glenn Phillips.
Big Flats---F. L. Houck, R. C. Parsons, Mrs. F. L. Houck.
Bristol---Emmet Bullins, Nora L. Wallace, J. W. Day.
Buffalo---T. H. Ray, J. F. Hodgson, Bryan Harless.
Clifton--K L Eller, W T Miller.
Forest Home--W. A. Johnson, W. P. Shoaf
Friendship--E. F. Marsh.
Glendale Springs--Letha Perkins, Clemmie Beshears.
Healing Springs--J. W. Gambill, I. N. Hudler, F. M. Jones.
Jefferson--Ira T. Johnston, John Blevins, James Haire.
Land Mark--J. C. Denny, W. L. Hurley, J. C. Jones.
Laurel Knob--F. N. Stevens.
Liberty Grove--J. L. Miller, J. P. Howell, Charles Howell.
Liberty Hill--H. L. Goodman, J. H. Wagoner, W. G. Jones
Little Helton--Lee Waddell, John Ball, Reeves Calloway.
Long Branch--E. Z. Sexton, J. W. Brown, Monroe Welch.
Meadow View--H. H. Gaultney, C. C. Barker.
Mission Home--J. E. Johnston, Jonathan Pope, P. E. Wilcox.
Mountain View--J. S. Denny
New River--C. L. Grace, Dewdy Brown, G. C. Shepherd.
Obids--D. C. Severt, Grant Harless, G. W. Brown.
Old Fields--J. E. Cheek, Levi Cheek, J. M. Blackburn
Orion--Jesse Bare, W. H. Dillard, W. M. Dillard
Peak Valley--J. M. Vannoy, J. L. Muday
Phoenix--J. W. Bare, Mrs. J. W. Bare, E. C. Eller
Pilot Mountain--C. Tucker
Pleasant Hill--By Letter
Pleasant Home--E. A. Eller, W. R. Lovelace, C. N. Deboard
Tuckerdale--J. A. Wagoner, Frank Tucker, Jr., Bruce Mink
Valley Home--J. R. Trivett, Jess Jones
West Jefferson--G. B. Doggette, H. C. Tucker, W. C. Johnston

STANDING COMMITTEES

State Missions: Rev Coy S Blackburn
Home Missions: Bower H Duncan
Foreign Missions: Dell Goodman
Sunday Schools: Grover Trivett, David Harless
Pastoral Support: George B Doggette
Biblical Recorder: Ira T Johnston
Digest Church Letters: F B Tucker, D C Severt, J H Wagoner
Orphanage: E C Eller, J W Barr
Obituaries: Dr S L Perkins, R R Griggs
Christian Education: J S Hopkins

CONSTITUTION

Art 1. This body shall be called the Ashe Association.

2. The object of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the gospel in our bounds, and in all the world, and in this work the Association will co-operate with the Baptist Convention of North Carolina.

3. The members of this body shall be all the ordained ministers of the churches of this Association, and three delegates from each church, who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment and giving statistics of the membership and work of the church.

4 At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a moderator, clerk and treasurer, in such way as the association may direct. The last two offices may be held by the same brother.

5 The moderator shall preside at the meetings, preserve order, appoint committees, and perform such duties as are required of presiding officers.

6 The clerk shall keep a correct record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing and distribution to the churches, the proceedings of the body.

7 The treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent to the Association, to pay them out as the association may direct, and make a report at each annual session.

8 The Association shall hold a annual meeting at such time and place as may be agreed upon.

9 At each annual meeting there shall be appointed an executive committee of five brethren, who shall look after the destitution in the bounds of this association, and co-operate with the State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention, making to the next session a report of the work done and all the general State Mission work.

10 The Association shall convene annually on Thursday before the first Sunday in September. At each annual session there shall be appointed committees to make reports to the ensuing session, on the following subjects to-wit: State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Pastoral Support, Ministerial Education, Baptist Orphanage, Biblical Recorder, Temperance, Digest of church Letters, Finance, Place and Preacher for next Association.

11 Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

12 The Association will not retain in permanent fellowship any Church that retains in its fellowship any member who is disorderly in doctrine or practice, or who makes, sells, or in any way deals in ardent spirits as a beverage.

13 This constitution may be amended by a vote of two thirds of the members present at any annual session.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES

1 We believe in only one true and living God, and that there are three persons in the God-head, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost and that these three are one.

2 We believe that the Bible, the New and Old Testaments, is the Word of God and the only rule of faith and practice.

3 We believe in the impotency of man and the sovereignty of God.

4 We believe that salvation is by Grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5 We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ to be practiced only by believers in their spiritual order.

6 We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator and that only those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and doctrine should take the Lord's Supper.

7 We believe in the final perseverance of the saints in grace to glory.

8 We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment.

9 We believe that the existence of the righteous and the wicked will both be of eternal duration, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal

RULES OF ORDER

1 Every session shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2 When the Moderator calls the house to order every member shall at once take his seat.

3 When a member wishes to speak he shall rise and address the Moderator, and not proceed till he is recognized.

4 No member shall speak more than twice on any subject except by permission of the body.

5 No member shall leave the body during the session without permission of the Moderator.

6 It will be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold private conversation while any person is speaking.

PROCEEDINGS

Crumpler, N. C.
Thursday Aug. 30th., 1923.

The Ashe Missionary Baptist Association met in its 37th Annual Session with Healing Springs Missionary Baptist Church August 30th 1923. The introductory sermon was delivered by H. T. Penry. Text, Romans 1: 14: "I am debtor to the Greek and to the Barbarian both to the wise and the unwise."

2 Election of Officers: Prof. J. C. Goodman was re-elected, by acclamation, as Moderator of the Association. J. W. Duncan, former clerk, was nominated as clerk. Owing to circumstances existing, to-wit: the sickness of his wife, brother Duncan stated that he could not possibly serve. His nomination was withdrawn. W. C. Johnston was elected by acclamation as clerk and treasurer of the Ashe Association.

3 Moved and seconded that the Association extend their heartfelt thanks to Brother J. W. Duncan for the splendid service rendered during the period of time he served as Clerk of the Ashe Association.

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the members aud delegates of the Ashe Association that we extend the heartfelt thanks and appreciation of this body and of the Baptists of Ashe County to Brother J. W. Duncan, our retiring clerk, who has served us so faithfully and so efficiently for the past eight sessions. May God bless him aud restore his good wife to complete health.

Be it further resolved that this resolution be incorporated in the minutes of this session.

Resolution adopted.

4 Roll call of churches, 33 handed in letters.

5 Call for new churches, letter of application from Little Helton was read to the Association.

By motion the Little Helton Church was received into the Association.

6 Talk by W. T. Miller in regard to the disbandment and re-organizat on of the Clifton church. Brother Miller stated that the Church was legally organized in January 1923.

7 By motion the Clifton church, under its new organization was received into the Association

8 Vote on above motion stood 46 for acceptance of the Clifton Church and 16 for non-acceptance.

9 By motion the body adjourned for the noon hour. Song, Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow. Dismissed for one hour. Benediction by Rev. P. H. Haire.

THURSDAY EVENING SESSION 2 P. M.

10 Song, How Firm A Foundation. Prayer by, Rev. J. O. Spencer.

11 Upon invitation to visitors, I. G. Sisk from the Pilot Mountain Asso-

ciation; G. C. Pridgen, representative of the Biblical Recorder and the B. Y P. U; Rev. H. T. Penry, from Liberty Association of Davidson Co. N. C., were seated with the body.

12 Constitution, Abstract of Principles, and Rules of Order were read by Ira T. Johnston.

13 The delegates and pastor of the Healing Springs church were appointed as a Committee on Religious exercises. They reported as follows:

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS EXERCISES.

We, the committee on Religious exercises make the following announcements: Brother James Sexton to preach at stand Thursday August 30th at 2:30 P. M.; Brother Coy Blackburn and Brother Edgar Denny at church Thursday at 7:30 P. M.; Brother Geter Howell for devotional exercises Friday, August 31st 9 A. M.; Brother O. B. Mitchell to preach at stand Friday August 31st 11 A. M.

Respectfully submitted,

J. O. Spencer
J. W. Gambill
F. M. Jones
W. H. Wiles

14 Moved and seconded that the making of tables be left off during the setting of this body and that they be made after it is closed. Motion passed.

15 Call for churches desiring the Association for 1924: Pilot Mountain, Peak Valley, Meadow View, Tuckerdale, Orion, Laurel Knob, West Jefferson.

16 By Motion, disinterested parties were appointed to select preacher and place for 1924 Association. Committee appointed: S. C. Blackburn, P. H. Haire, I. N. Huddler.

17 Moderator appointed the following committees:
Resolution Committe: O. B. Mitchell, S. C. Blackburn, W. E. Denny.
Nominating Committee: J. F Hodgson, Felix Houck, J. W. Barr.
Finance Committee: J. E. Johnston, C. C. Barker, J. R. Carr.
Digest Church Letter: D. C. Severt, J. H. Wagoner, J. G. Welch.

18 Report on Sunday Schools, read by Ira T. Johnston.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Without criticizing the former excellent reports on Sunday Schools, or by inference reflecting upon them, your committee has decided to take another tack, and instead of adding to the words of wisdom emphasizing the value of the Sunday School to the church which grace the old minutes, give some figures that to our minds speak louder than any words of ours can speak. These figures are taken from our last minutes.

The expenses of all the Sunday Schools in Ashe County as reported a year ago amounted to $236.69 annually. That is the members of Baptist Churches in Ashe County contribute less than ten cents per member to the support of Sunday School work.

Nine of our forty five Baptist Churches reported no Sunday School whatever, a twenty per cent deficency.

Out of our 2356 members of Baptist Churches in Ashe County, only

524 were reported enrolled in Sunday Schools; and this 524 is the number that is enrolled in Sunday School, which of course includes more than can be counted as regular attendants. About one in four of the white population of North Carolina is enrolled in all the Sunday Schools of the State. Ashe County Baptists make a worse showing than this sorry porportion as less than one in four of our own church members are enrolled in our Sunday Schools.

The average number of teachers roported for Sunday Schools of the county is three.

About six Sunday Schools in the county report that they are open all the year.

Between the lines of these figures, your committee reads: That there are too few clases, that little effort has been made to grade the Sunday Schools, and that practically no equipment for teaching except a scanty amount of literature is provided. That the adult church members are largely uninterested and that only a part of the younger members of our churches are enrolled in Sunday School. That our pastors do not take the same interest, (there are some shining exceptions, thank God!) in the Sunday Schools that they do in the regular church services.

Your committee would set as a goal for Ashe County Baptists:

1. A Sunday School in every church, open the year round.
2. One hundred per cent., resident church membership enrolled.
3. Increase contributions to provide sufficient literature and equipment.
4. Organized and graded Sunday Schools, with at least five classes, and more where practicable.
5. A County wide or Association wide effort to provide teacher training for our Sunday School teachers.
6. The selection of officers and teachers of irreproachable Christian character.

Shakespeare says, "If to do were as easy as to know what were well to do, then chapels had been churches and poor men's hovels princes palaces." We have set a high standard which we can not reach at a single flight. But we can work with our ideals among the stars and climb higher than if we are satisfied with the shabby showing our last minute disclosed. "A man's reach should exceed his grasp or what's a Heaven for "

This is a worthy program, and if carried out would double the efficency of our churches and mightily please our Lord Jesus, who spent his Sabbath days teaching the scriptures in the synagogues of Capernaum and Galilee.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ira T. Johnston,
L. D. Blackburn, Committee.

19 Report on Christian Education read by B. H. Duncan.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

Christian Education is the training of the young men and women of our country in the principles of orthodox Christianity, the ideals of Christian living and genuine stability in the doctrine of Christ and his holy writ.

We Baptist of this Association cannot unduly emphasize a strict adherence to this difinition. We only have to turn around and look the world in the face and the menace of what the materalistic education is. It is a blow against the new dispensation of Christ, an attempt to destroy the very principles of Christian ideals, and our faith and doctrine of the Bible.

Our educational institutions in the state and the entire South have kept pace during the past year with the general line of advancement. The pressure for more Christian controlled schools, however, is keenly felt. More Baptist high schools are needed, and our colleges are having to turn eager and worthy boys and girls away because of inadequate equipment and buildings.

Christian education is closer to our churches and Sunday Schools than it has been in the past. Trained leaders and preachers are with us, but the demand is greater yet than the supply. We must strive to get strong Christian trained men and women in the field or lose in the fight against sin. With the harvest great and the cry heard for educated leaders, let's encourage and promote this phase of our work as never before.

Christian Education Day has become a real factor in creating a conscience on Christian Education. It is hoped that this day will bring to pastors and Sunday School superintendents the importance of its true worth, and that they will make its significance worth while by willingly and eagerly participating in it.

B. H. Duncan
A. D. Goodman

By motion the above reports were adopted. Discussion following. Ira T. Johnston, W. W. Blackburn and others discussed the Sunday School report. B. H. Duncan, Dell Goodman, Julian Hopkins and O. B. Mitchell discussed Christian Education.

20 By motion it was ordered that a collection be taken to aid Brother W. W. Blackburn in his work as Sunday School organizer. Amount received, $10.07.

21 By motion, Brothers W. W. Blackburn, D. C. Severt, J. F. Hodgson were appointed as Sunday School committee to aid in organizations of Sunday Schools in the county.

22 It was ordered to be placed in the minutes the address for securing teachers training course in Sunday School work: E. L. Middleton, Raleigh, N. C.

23 By motion it was ordered that attempt be made to finish the business work of the Association Friday August 31st.

24 Report on Biblical Recorder was read by J. O. Goodman. Report was adopted.

BIBLICAL RECORDER

The Biblical Recorder is indispensible to the Baptist work of North Carolina.

Our people are not mean and stingy, but lack information. They love our Lord and Master and His kingdom and are willing to stand until necessary to spend money. We feel that every member of the Baptist church should stand squarely by the Denomination and most certainly should take the Biblical Recorder, our onld denominational paper and organ of expression. The Recorder is our greatest single agency for spiritual information, (the pulpit excepted). The Recorder should be in every Baptist home, if for no other reason than to enlighten our children along denominational living, for they will control the churches of to-morrow., Our people as a denomination should see to it that their children read literature of the highest religious and cultural order.
We feel that the parents will be responsible to God for the class of literature given their children to read, determine their lives and seal their destinies.

J. O. Goodman
Gary C. Pridgen.

25. G. C. Pridgen and others discussed the benefits of the Biblical Recorder to the Baptist people.
26. Reading of the homes where the delegates were to spend night.
27. Solo-J. Richard Carr of West Jefferson Baptist Church.
28. Adjourned by motion.

Benediction by Rev. O. B. Mitchell.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

AUGUST 31st,

29. The Association met according to adjournment. One half hour was spent in devotional exercises conducted by Rev. J. O. Denny.
30. Reading of minute of previous day. By motion the minute was adopted.
31. Moderator ordered that last years report on Temperance be read. The report was read and adopted.

TEMPERANCE

We your committee recommend that this association reaffirm its doctrine against the evil of strong drink and our pastors preach against it with all their power. We are convinced that if all the professed Christians of Ashe County would practice what they profess and cease to aid in any way the "boot leggers" and "moon shiners" and give their aid to the officers and help to enforce the law, that the liquor traffic would cease to bother us very much.

As sure as a boot legger sells a gallon of the damnable stuff to a leading church member, he is safe and sound from any prosecution.

Respectfully Submitted,

L. J. Sturgill
Rev. G. M. Pennington

32. Report on Pastoral support read by J. F. Hodgson, Discussed by J. F. Hodgson, T. M. Hays, R. P. Howell and others. Report adopted.

PASTORAL SUPPORT

We your committee on Pastoral Support believe we are still gaining some ground along the line of Pastoral Support; but we believe we still have room for other gains. We feel that we are losing great opportunities by not having our churches organized into fields so that we might lose the hands of our pastors for their work, and also be better prepared to support our pastors. We cannot recommend a better plan for pastors support than the plan of monthly payments. Let us all lay by each month such as God has prospered us with, and let's pay our pastor every month. The pastor must meet the needs of his family the same as other men. We believe that if our churches will adopt this plan "pay as you go," that our pastors would not be accused of begging for money all the time.

Respectfully Submitted,
J. F. Hodson,
David Harless.

33. Rev. O. B. Mitchell was appointed to fill the vacency of L. J. Sturgill on the Temperance Committee.

34. Call for visitors. Rev. J. A. Blevins, J. M. Tulbert and W. F. Jones all of the Alleghany Association, and Ralph G. Greer of the Three Forks Association, answering to the call were seated with the body.

35. As each delegate of the Association had been appointed as committee to act on the 75 Million Campaign, speeches and reports of delegates were heard. From the speeches made and the reports given, the Association felt that the Baptist people of Ashe County in the long run, will not fall down on the pledges of the 75 Million Campaign but that they will "go over the top."

36. Report on State Missions read by E. C. Eller.

STATE MISSIONS.

State Missions have been well defined as the work bringing the whole Gospel in touch with the whole life of the state. The Baptists of North Carolina have for more than half century done mission work through the agency of the State Mission Board. God has wonderfully blessed the State Mission work in North Carollna and we believe will continue to do so as long as His people keep humble and prayful and have a zeal to tell the lost and wicked people of North Carolina that God really loves their souls and wants them saved.

State Missions means having the Gospel preacher to our children as well as the rest of the children in the State. It means a Christien education that is so much needed after the conversion of the soul. State Missions not only foster evangslization and Christian Education, but several other worthy objects that we will not mention in our report.

The 75 Million Campaign has made it possiible to operate on a much larger basis than would have been possible otherwise.

We most heartily commend the work of State Missions to all of our churches and ask the hearty support for the coming year.

Respectfully Submitted,

E. C. Eller.

37. Report on Home Missions read by Clerk.

HOME MISSIONS.

We should be deeply concerned about all phases of our Mission work Foreign, Home and State. The Home Mission Board now in its 78th. year receives with pride its many achievements for Christ and His cause It has been fostered by faith and zeal that know no fear. It is one of tne greatest forces for good. Let all Liberty-loving and God-fearing Baptists be loyal to this great institution that has led its thousands to Christ.

Submitted.

Rev. J. O. Spencer.

I. N. Huddler.

38. Report on Foreign Missions read by Clerk.

(See next page for this report.)

39. A letter from Dr. Charles E. Maddry in regard to Foreign Missions and the financial standing of the Baptist State Convention.

40. By motion the reports on State Miissions, Home missions and Foreign Missions were adopted.

41. Sermon by Rev. O. B. Mitchell.

42. Collection at stand, one half amount received to go to Healing Springs Church as aid on construction work. The other half to go to the Baptist Orphanage. Rev S. C. Blackburn took the collection and received $40.25.

FRIDAY EVENING SESSION

August 31st.

43. Open by song and prayer.

Report on place and preacher for next Association.

Place: Tuckerdale, N. C.

Preacher: Rev. T. M. Hayes.

Alternate: J. S. Hopkins.

Report adopted.

44. Report of Nominating Committee read by clerk. Report adopted.

We your committee submit the following report on adjusting the Executive Committee: We feel we could do no better than retain the old committee with the exception of F. R. Jones. Bro. Jones is a good man, but we feel under existing circumstances it would be wise to change. We appoint Bro. J. W. Barr in place of Bro. Jones.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. F. Hodgson

F. L. Houck.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Our Foreign Mission work grows. We have 891 churches in sixteen foreign lands; 211 or practically one-fourth of these churches are self-supporting; 442 or one-half have their own houses of worship. In addition to the churches there are 2,896 out-stations which give us a total of practically 4,000 stations where the word of God is preached regularly. Last year was the crowning year in baptism, 12,611 were baptized, which is 4,720 more than reported the year before. We have passed the 100,000 mark in membership. We have 103,328 members. These gave $4.23 per capta last year. We have 796 schools which were attended last year by 32,789 scholars. This is about equal to the number of students in our Baptist schools in the southland. Of course all of our schools in foreign lands are not of equal grade to those in the South, but we have our students in these foreign lands under our tutelage quite as long as we have the students in our Southern schools.

There were 1447 Sunday School, which had an enrollment of 67,407.

We have now 501 foreign missionaries and 2, 820 native missionaries This is almost twice as many foreign missionaries and almost four times as many native missionarys as we had in 1919 at the beginning of the 75 Million Campaign.

The Board reported a debt of $403.000 at the last Southern Baptist Convention. There has been no diposition to criticize the Board because everybody has realized that the Board has been very conservative in making appropriations. It has appropriated only a little above one half of the amount that was proposed for it in the 75 Million Campaign. The Convention was very serious about the situation, and was anxious to do something to set this great Board foward in its wonderful work.

After hearing of the Board's financial condition and of the more than fifty young people who were ready to be sent out to the foreign fields this year, the convention passed a most remarkable endorsement of the Board by raising through voluntary subscriptions from delegates present enough money to send out these new missionaries. That was a practical endorsement. It took place in one of the most spiritual hours the Southern Baptist Convention ever experienced. The story of that Friday night's session of the Convention has carried inspiration not only to great numbers of churches in the homeland but has enheartened the missionaries on every foreign field.

In the spirit of what took place at the Southern Baptist Convention the Board at its June meeting appointed forty-eight new missionaries who in the early fall of this year will go to their fields.

The practical suggestion for everybody to take to heart at this critical time when the Board is burdened with debt, overwhelmed by the growth of the work, and appalled by the vast needs, is that every one should do his utmost to pay his 75 Million Campaign pledge in full this year. If these pledges are paid fully, the Board can pay its debts, support the missionaries and provide for many many more distressing needs. The simple solution of our present situation is the payment of our 75 Million Campaign pledges. This is the biggest need for Foreign Missions this year. Now is the time to go foward.

S. C. Blackburn,
J. P. Howell.

45. By motion it was ordered that clerk be granted authority to change the wording of the minute in order to save space and to make the minute plain.

46. By motion it was ordered that the Ashe Association hereafter would convene for business only two days. The last Friday and Saturday in August.

47. Report of Finance Committee read by J. Richard Carr. Report adopted.

(See next page for above report.)

48. Report on Resolutions read and adopted.

RESOLUTIONS.

Your committee on Resolutions beg leave to submit the following:

Be it Resolved, that this Association as a body extend to the church at Healing Springs and the good people of this community our heartfelt thanks for their splendid hospitality and entertainment of officers and delegates of this Association

2nd. That this Associaton extend to our Beloved Moderator, J. C. Goodman the heartfelt thanks of this body for his splendid service.

Rev. O. B. Mitchell
Rev. W. E. Denny
Rev. S. C. Blackburn

49. Report on orphnage was read by Rev. O. B. Mitchell. Report adopted

ORPHANAGE REPORT

We rejoice in marvelous development of our orphanage work, under the devoted and capable leadership of our Superintendent, M. L. Kesler.

We especially commend the plan of mother aid, and we would call upon the pastors and churches to co-operate with the orphanage management.

We have more children in our care now than we have ever reported before. 552 in the orphanage proper and 143 aided in their own homes; making in all 695.

Our orphanage work is devided into three parts, viz: The Thomasville Orphanage; the Kennedy Home near Kinston, N. C. under Brother T. B. Davis, and those in the homes with their mothers.

Your committee begs that you pray for and pay to this worthy cause.

O. B. Mitchell.

50. On motion it was ordered that committee on Digest Church letters together with clerk complete the digest and enter same in minutes.

DIGEST CHURCH LETTER.

From the report of 35 churches, we your committee, submit the following report:

Value of church property $36,750.00. Received by baptism 124; by letter 49; by restoration 15. Losses: by letter 49; by exclusion 13; by death 21; Total gain 105; Membership 2402.

Financial: Pastors' salaries $2269.14; Building and repair 1324.83 Incidentals $673.80; Sunday School expenses $234.46; The poor $369.50 75 Million (undes) $744.28; State Missions $_____; Foreign Miss-

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FINANCIAL

CHURCHES	Salary Pastor's	Repairs and Building	Incidentals	S. S. Expenses	The Poor	Fund Minute	Objects	Other	Undesig'ted	75 Million
Apple Grove	29 15					1 50				
Ball Mountain	100 00		8 50	8 00	38 00	2 70	62 90		118 45	
Baptist Home										
Beaver Creek	26 00				50 00	1 48			149 67	
Bethel	34 60			8 50	13 00	1 50				
Big Flats	86 21			13 50	83 50	2 00			45 40	
Big Laurel										
Bristol	42 85	346 63		3 40		2 50				
Buffalo	165 00		36 55	8 84	42 00	3 00			60 00	
Clifton	35 00					1 00				
Forest Home						2 00			21 00	
Friendship	29 00			4 75		2 00			31 00	
Glendale Springs		45 00	2 50	3 35		25	20 00			
Healing Springs	65 30	617 25		7 50	13 00	2 50	46 00		32 00	
Jefferson	70 00	80 00	55 25	19 50		2 00	14 50		4 00	
Landmark	78 00		15 00	9 69	35 00	5 50				
Laurel Knob	100 00	4 20		7 00		1 10			27 45	
Liberty Grove	92 00			16 11		2 00	250		15 25	
Liberty Hill	13 25					1 55	6 77		15	
Little Helton	100 00					2 00				
Long Branch	44 74		2 50			3 00				
Meadow View	14 00	150 00				2 00				
Mission Home	131 49			44 12		1 65			25	
Mountain View	10 65				10	2 70				
New River	101 10			8 00	35	3 20	40		155 15	
Obids	46 10			3 00		1				
Old Fields	70 70		13 00	12 00		2 31	30		62 29	
Orion	33 80	111 75		3 75	10	2 10	21 80			
Peak Valley	36 75			5 75		1 65				
Phoenix	86 25		5 00		25	5	25		56 50	
Pilot Mountain	46 85	35 00		4		1				
Pleasant Hill	10 45					1	10			
Pleasant Home	58 75			4 90	5	3 30	20 50		5	
Tuckerdale	80 00			10		3	30		30	
Valley Home	80 92	15 00				1 45				
West Jefferson	350 00		191 00	27 91		5	106		12	
Zion Hill										

TABLE

State and Associational Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	S. S.	Orphanage	Education	Christian	Relief	Minister's	Hospitals	TOTAL
										30 65
				16 00						354 55
				5 79						232 94
										57 60
				54 88						
				64 65						
										35 00
				5 00						27 00
				13 00						
				23 00						
				21 28						
				20 00						
	10 00	15 00		53 77						
				6 88						
				60 00						342 45
										50 10
				10 00						200 30
				100 00						283 20
				10 67						54 83
				10 45						213 20
										86 85
										21 45
										97 45
				9 17						162 17
				2 50						99 87
				41 57						733 48

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ions $15.00; Home Missions $23.65; Orpanage $492.56; Christian Education_____; Ministerial Relief $20.50; W. M. U. $190.89.

By comparison of 1922 and 1923 of only 33 churches represented in 1922 and 37 session 1923: net gain in membership 105; total gain for all objects $1657.80.

D. C. Severt.

51. Lecture by Gary C. Pridgen on B. Y. P. U. work.

52. Adjourned to meet with Tuckerdale Missionary Baptist Church, Tuckerdale, N. C., located on the Virginia-Carolina Railraod about 12 miles north of West Jefferson, N. C., on Friday and Saturday August 29th and 30th 1924.

Benediction by Rev. O. B. Mitchell.

J. C. Goodman, Moderator.
W. C. Johnston, Clerk & Treasurer.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Received of Finance Committee Minute Fund		$75.14	
Orphanage		21.05	
Collection at Stand		21.25	
Paid to F. B. Hamerick			$42.30
Received of Finance Committee 75 Million		60.00	
Paid Walters Durham			60.00
Paid for Printing Minutes			53.75
	Total	$177.44	$156.05
	Balance	$ 21.39	

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

CHURCHES	Name of Organizat-	PRESIDENT	POST OFFICE	Members	75 Million Undesignat-ed	Missions	Education	Christian	Orphanage	Training	Teachers	Objects	Other	Total Contributions
Beaver Creek	W. M. U.	Mrs. J. O. Goodman	Beaver Creek,	6	40 00									40 00
Big Flats	W. M. U.	Mrs. W. L. Houck	Fleetwood, N. C.	10	22 00							40 96		62 96
Big Flats	Sunbeams	Minnie M. Haire	Fleetwood, N. C.	40	5 46							7 60		13 06
Buffalo	W. M. U.	Miss Susan Harless	Smethport, N. C.	6	20 38									20 38
West Jefferson	W, M. U.	Mrs. B. D. Barr	West Jefferson,	19	12 95							54 60		67 55
West Jefferson	Sunbeams	Mrs. O. B. Mitchell	West Jefferson,	18	1 50									1 50

STATISTICAL

CHURCHES	PASTOR	POST OFFICE	CLERK
Apple Grove	W. F. Barker	Grassy Creek,	H. A. Miller
Ball Mountain	S C. Blackburn	Todd, N C	J. T. Campbell
Baptist Home			
Beaver Creek	Ezekiel Blevins	Grassy Creek;	J. O. Goodman
Bethel			C. W. Phillipps
Big Flats	R. M. Burkett	Jefferson, N C	Minnie M. Hair
Big Laurel	W. E. Denny	Silas Creek, N. C	Nora L. Wallace
Bristol			
Buffalo	S. C. Blackburn	Todd. N. C.	W. A. Campbell
Clifton	G. R. Eldreth	Trout, N C	W. T. Miller
Forest Home			J. H. Ashley
Friendship	E. Blevins	Grassy Creek,	E. F. Marsh
Glendale Springs			W. C. Beshears
Healing Springs	J. O. Spencer	Grassy Creek,	W. H. Wiles
Jefferson	O. B. Mitchell	West Jefferson	B. D. Barr
Landmark	James D. Sexton	Edison, N C	D. A. Denny
Laurel Knob	W. H. Michael	Trade, Tenn.	J. F. Pearsons
Liberty Grove	S. C Blackburn	Todd, N C	L. N. Kellar
Liberty Hill	W. E. Denny	Grassy Creek,	J. H. Wagoner
Little Helton	M. D. Blackburn	Grassy Creek,	Lee Waddell
Long Branch	G. M. Pennington	Konnarock, Va.	J. G. Welch
Meadow View	W. E. Denny	Grassy Creek,	C. C. Barker
Mission Home	S. C, Blackburn	Todd, N C	J. F. Blackburn
Mountain View	G. L. Denny	Grassy Creek,	John Coldiron
New River	J. O. Spencer	Grassy Creek,	W. D. Brown
Obids	R. M. Burkett	Jefferson, N C	D. C. Severt
Old Fields	Finley C. Watts	Purlear, N C	L. D. Blackburn
Orion	R. M. Burkett	Jefferson, N C	J. F. Dillard
Peak Valley	W. H. Michael	Trade, Tenn.	J. M. Vannoy
Phoenix	W. E. Denny	Grassy Creek,	H. A. Eller
Pilot Mountain	J. F. Anderson	Alvarado, Va.	C. Tucker
Pleasant Hill	Lee Howell	White Top, Va.	Granville Wyatt
Pleasant Home	W. E. Denny	Grassy Creek,	G. E. Gambill
Tuckerdale	J. D. Sexton	Edison, N C	E. L. Tucker
Valley Home	J. R. Trivett	Toliver, N C	D. R. Jones
West Jefferson	O. B. Mitchel	West Jefferson,	A. M. Jones
Zion Hill			

TABLE

POST OFFICE	Preaching Time of	Property Value of	GAINS			LOSSES			No. Males	No. Female	Total Membership
			Baptism	By Let.	Restor	By Let.	Exclu.	Death			
Whitetop, Va.	3	$ 600	3			1					43
Beaver Creek,	3	1200			1						63
		200									
Beaver Creek,	2	100						1			43
Beaver Creek,	1	3000	5			5		2			102
Fleetwood, N. C.	3	1200						1			64
Jefferson, N. C.	2	1000	2								63
Beaver Creek,	3	700	7	1			1	1			106
Clifton, N. C.	1	1000			1						9
Warrensville, N C	2	200				1					31
Jefferson, N. C.		800									94
Reno, N. C.	3	1500		1		2	2	1			22
Crumpler, N. C.	4	1500	34	3	1	5	1				98
West Jefferson,		1500						1			43
Grassy Creek,	4	1200	2	6	2	2	2	1			168
Todd, N. C.	1	1000	10								78
Garren, N. C.	1	1000	1	2		2					58
Nathans Creek,	3	400				4		1			71
Grassy Creek,	2		6								14
Lansing, N. C.	3	1500	6	1			1				68
Grassy Creek,	1	1200	2			2					38
Fleetwood, N. C.	1	600				3	3	2			104
Eldreth, N. C.	1	400									35
Weavers Ford,	3	1200	11			2	1	1			158
West Jefferson,	4	1500		1		4	1	1			62
Idlewild, N. C.	1	250	11		1	3		3			159
Orion, N. C.	1	1000	3	4							62
Trade, Tenn.	3	600		8		1					44
Bina, N. C.	2	1000	2	3		2	1				71
Brownwood, N. C	1 & 3	300			1	1		2			54
Whitetop, Va.	4	800	1								46
Grassy Creek,	4	1000	1	11	3	4		1			90
Tuckerdale, N. C.	2	1500	1	1		1					44
Toliver, N. C	1	1000	1		2	4					85
West Jefferson,	1 & 4	1000	7	15		2					112
Total		33450	116	57	12	51	13	19			2402
Total last year		29122	120	27	8	56	33	19			2356
Increase		4328		30	4						46
Decrease			4			5	20				

SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENT	POST OFFICE	SECRETARY
Bald Mountain	B H Duncan	Beaver Creek,	W L Houck
Beaver Creek	J O Goodman	Beaver Creek,	
Bethel	G H Brown	Oval, N. C.	R Watson
Big Flats	R C Parsons	Todd, N. C.	Mrs J F Houck
Bristol	J G Sisk	Jefferson, N. C.	Mamie Wallace
Buffalo	J F Hodgson	Beaver Creek,	T H Ray
Friendship	T J Cockerham	Theta, N. C.	Ella Marsh
Glendale Springs	W C Beshears	Reno, N. C.	Clemmie Beshears
Healing Springs	J M Neaves	Crumpler, N C.	Lucile Gambil
Jefferson	James Haire	Jefferson, N. C.	Mrs Emma Gunter
Landmark	J C Denney	Grassy Creek,	D A Denny
Laurel Knob	F N Stephens	Todd, N. C.	R A Stephens
Liberty Grove	J P Howell	Garren, N. C.	Inez Howell
Liberty Hill	J H Wagoner	Nathans Creek,	Johnsin Hayes
Long Branch	J G Welch	Lansing, N. C.	Ruth Welch
Meadow View	Laura Spencer	Grassy Creek,	Zetta Barker
Mission Home	J C Green	Fleetwood, N. C.	E W Vannoy
New River	S P Hale	Mouth Wilson, Va	Ruby Davis
Obids	D C Severt	West Jefferson,	Julia Miller
Old Fields	J E Cheek	Idlewild, N C	A E Yates
Orion	J F Dillard	Orion, N C	Jesse Bare
Peak Valley	J M Vannoy	Trade, Tenn.	W H Tyree
Phoenix	E C Eller	Bina, N. C.	Lillie Bare
Pilot Mountain	Minnie Phillips	Brownwood, N. C	Julia Miller
Pleasant Home	L P Phipps	Grassy Creek,	G E Gambill
Tuckerdale	Nannie Tucker	Tuckerdale, N. C.	Mrs N Darnell
Valley Home	J R Trivett	Toliver, N. C	D R Jones
West Jefferson	J C Goodman	Beaver Creek,	Jessie Gambill

TABLE

POST OFFICE	Schools	Offi. & Tea.	Pupils	Total Enroll	C M. in S. S	M kept open	Bapt from S	School Exp.	Missions	Orphanage	Other Obj.	Total Contributions
Beaver Creek	1	4	47	51	45	12		8 00				8 00
	1	4	56	60	30	4		5 79				5 79
Oval, N C	1	5	70	75	40	5		8 50				8 50
Fleetwood, N C	1	5	48	53	25	12		13 50				13 50
Jefferson, N C	1	7	64	71	40	4		3 40				3 40
Smethport, N C	1	7	102	109	60	12	6	8 84		7 65		16 49
Jefferson, N C	1	7	40	47	20	5		2 45				2 45
Reno, N C	1	6	87	93	43	5		3 35				3 35
Crumpler, N C	1	8	127	135	59	5		7 50				7 50
Jefferson, N C	1	5	108	113	20	12		19 50		6 00		25 50
Grassy Creek	1	7	76	83	40	5	2					
Todd, N C	1	6	60	66	30	5		7 00				7 00
Riverside, N C	1	5	97	102	36	12		16 11				16 11
Nathans creek,	1	4	36	40	20	6						
Lansing, N c	1	6	84	90	39	12	3	15 00				15 00
Grassy creek,	1	7	57	64	20	4						
Fleetwood, N C	1	7	97	104	46	12		44 12				56 37
Mouth Wilson,	1	7	58	65	23	6		8 00				13 00
Obids, N c	1	6	48	54	20	6		3 00				3 00
Idlewild, N c	1	5	62	67	25	8	10	12 00		12 25		12 00
Orion, N c	1	6	56	62	26	6		3 75		5 00		3 75
Creston, N C	1	6	54	60	24	6		5 75				12 42
Bina, N C	1	7	40	47	29	6						
Brownwood, N C	1	5	35	40	20	5		4 00				4 00
Grassy Creek,	1	6	48	54	23	6		4 90		6 67		4 90
Tuckerdale, N C	1	5	45	50	21	6		10 00				10 00
Toliver, N C	1	7	80	87	43	6		6 80				6 80
West Jefferson,	1	7	133	140	67	12		27 91		41 57		69 48

Obituaries

TOMLINSON

Mrs. Della Tomlinson was born March 12, 1894 and departed this life Sept. 26, 1922. Age 28 years 6 months and 14 days. She professed a hope in Christ at the age of 15 years and joined the church at Yellow Hill where she remained a faithful member for five years. Later she moved her membership to Bethel Church where she remained a consistent church member until her death.

She was married to Levi Tomlinson Jan. 14, 1912, and unto this union was born 7 children, 2 girls and 5 boys of whom all are living.

Her remains sleeps in the Bethel Cemetary beneath a flower covered mound awaiting that glad morn when the dead in Christ shall rise.

Her departure was a sorrowful event to her relatives and many friends. She leaves a husband, 7 children, father, mother, 1 sister, 3 brothers and a host of friends to mourn her loss. But we feel our loss is her eternal gain.

Mrs. Tomlinson was a noble woman. She was always ready to lend a helping hand in time of need in the church, home and community. She was always kind, loving and faithful to all.

Through life she fought a good fight and at last conquered the enemy which is death.

A FRIEND.

REEDY

Stella Ester Reedy, a daughter of Calvin and Ellen Reedy was born Jan. 20th 1896. Was married to C. F. Spencer May 6, 1920 and departed this life March the 8th 1921. She found the blessed hope in Christ in 1916 and joined Pleasant Home Church and remained a loving christian worker till Jesus took her home. She left father, mother, three brothers and one sister and many friends to mourn her. May we all keep the love and faith of God in our hearts and meet her in heaven is my humble prayer.

MOTHER

YATES

Mary Alice Yates was born Nov. 22, 1862. Died June 13, 1921. Age 58 years, 6 months and 21 days. Married James J. Gentry Dec. 22, 1881. Professed religion in 1882, united with Mission Home Church and lived a consistent christian life. She is survived by her husband and 7 children.

JORDAN

Sister Comillen Jordan was born July 6, 1879. Died May 17, 1923. When a young girl, she professed a hope in Jesus Christ and Joined Stony Fork Church. She married L. J. Jordan and joined Big Flatts Baptist Church with her husband, there she lived a member until her death. She was a devoted wife and mother and neighbor. She leaves a husband, one daughter and host of friends.

BLEVINS

Marjory Blevins was born Feb. 8th 1841. Died May 1st 1923. Age 82 years, 3 months, 5 days. She married Alfred Blevins about the year 1857 To this union was born 12 children, 10 are living and 2 are dead.

She professed hope in Christ at the age of 17 and joined the Methodist church and lived a short while when her husband and herself joined Landmark Missionary Baptist Church where they lived consistent members until death. She thus lived in the church for more than 65 years. This in itself should speak in strong terms to the living.

She struggled for about 39 years after her husband died to support her children but in all this time she was never known to despair. No one knows except those who have carefully observed just what this means. To be true to her trust as a mother; to withstand temptations to do wrong when oftimes misfortune stared her in the face; to never betray her trust in Him who created her and to live faithfully unto the end betokens that there must have been something of a Divine nature that prompted her in these things.

As a neighbor everybody spoke well of her. She was kind to all who went about her. She was always ready to visit and administer to the needs of the sick. As a mother she idolized he children.

While she was taken suddenly and did not live but a few hours, and did not propably realize that the end was so near and thus made no comments about death, but her life speaks louder than words. "A tree is known by its fruits." On the evening before her death, she was reading her bible. This is a consolation.

BLEVINS

Alfred Blevins was born August 8th. 1832. Died March 16th 1884. Age 51 years, 5 months and 8 days.

PERKINS

W. T. Perkins was born Aug. 8th 1852. Died Jan. 2nd 1923. Age 70 years, 5 months and 24 days. Professed a hope in Christ at the age of 18 years. Joined the Methodist Church in Virginia, later joined the Baptist Church at Glendale 1912 and lived a true christian life untill death.

JOHNSON

Martha Caroline Johnson was born April 12th 1856. Died January 11 1923. Age 66 years, 8 months and 11 days. She was marrird to William F. Johnson Jan. 1st 1876. To this union was born 12 children, 4 boys and 8 girls; nine of whom survive her. William her husband died about sixteen years ago, leaving her and nine children to fight the Battles of Life. She professed a hope in Christ in early life and joined the church, and lived a consistent member until death, being at that time a member of Healing Springs Baptist Church.

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Blevins, Ezekiel	" " "
Burkett, R M	Jefferson, "
Denny, W E,	Silas Creek, "
Denny, G L	Grassy Creek, "
Eldreth, G R	Trout, "
Howell, Lee	White Top, Va.
Sexton, J D	Edison, N. C.
Spencer, J O	Grassy Creek, "
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Anderson, J F	Alvarado, Va.
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Pennington, G M	Konnarock, Va.
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Carlton, W R	Baldwin, Md.
Cope, C M	Ore Knob, N. C.
Davis, John A	Grassy Creek, "
Grubb, T W	Todd, "
Haire, P H	Fleetwood, "
Hamby, J M	Bina, "
Hayes, T M	Nathans Creek, "
Hopkins, J S	West Jefferson, "
Howell, J G	Jefferson, "
Miller, Edd O	Rhine, "

Neaves, J M	Crumpler, N. C.
Stanley, J F	Hemlock, "
Trivett, J S	Fleetwood, "
Wilcox, Joseph	Summit, "

Order of Business

FIRST DAY, 10 A. M.

1. Introductory Sermon.
2. Election of Officers.
3. Roll Call of Churches.
4. Reception of Churches.
5. Adjournment.

FIRST DAY, 2 P. M.

1. Invitation to Visitors.
2. Reading of Abstract of Principles and Rules of Order.
3. Motions and Resolutions.
4. Appointments of Committees.
5. Report on Baptist Hospital.
6. Report on Christian Education.
7. Report on Biblical Recorder.
8. Announcements of homes for Messengers and Visitors.
9. Adjournment.

SECOND DAY, 10 A. M.

1. Devotional Exercises.
2. Reading of Minute of previous day.
3. Report on Temperance.
4. Call for letters of absentee churches.
5. Appointment of Finance Committee.
6. Pastoral Support.
7. Report on 75 Million Campaign.
8. Appointment of Committee for 1925 Baptist program.
9. Adjournment.

SECOND DAY, 1 P. M.

1. Report on Sunday School.
2. Report on Home Missions.
3. Report on State Missions.
4. Report on Foreign Missions.
5. Report on Orphanage.
6. Report of Finance Committee.
7. Report on Place and Preacher.
8. Report of Digest of Church Letters.
9. Adjournment.

Churches and Delegates

Apple Grove— S. N. Howell, Jennie Tucker, H. A. Miller.
Bald Mountain—G S Trivett, Walter Houck.
Baptist Chapel—N L Cooper, Chas Hurley, Edwin Blevins.
Beaver Creek—By letter.
Bethel—T H Brown, Dell Goodman, C W Phillips.
Big Flats—R A Goodman, J F Houck.
Bristol—Walter Wallace, Emmet Bullen.
Buffalo—J F Hodgson, Spencer Friesland.
Clifton—W T Miller, K L Eller.
Friendship—Archie Little, T K Luther.
Glendale Springs—J L Winkler, Gorden Miller.
Healing Springs—W H Wiles, J W Huffman, M C Grace.
Jefferson—Ira T Johnston, R F Gentry.
Land Mark—J C Denney, J C Jones.
Laurel Knob—G S Holman, W C Trivett, F N Stephens.
Liberty Grove—J P Howell, Chas E Howell.
Little Helton—Joe Waddell, Lee Waddell, Wiley Hurley.
Long Branch—J G Welch, E Z Sexton, Joseph Poe.
Meadow View—L D Barker, H H Gaultney.
Mission Home—J C Green, J F Blackburn.
Mountain View—John Coldiron, J A Denney.
New River—G C Shepherd, W A Blackburn.
Obids—D C Severt.
Old Fields—J R Johnston, H O Baker.
Orion—E D Coldiron, Jesse Bare.
Peak Valley—W H Tyree.
Phœnix—J T King, J W Barr.
Pilot Mountain—C Tucker.
Pleasant Home—W R Lovelace, C N Deboard, M G Pasley.
Tuckerdale—E L Tucker, W H Darnell, H A Eller.
West Jefferson—G B Doggett, Geo Hopkins, J W Lyall.

STANDING COMMITTEES

State Missions	Rev. Oscar Spencer.
Home Missions	J C Green.
Foreign Missions	Ira T Johnston.
Sunday Schools	Mrs J C Gambill, David Harless.
Biblical Recorder	J S Hopkins, Dell Goodman.
Orphanage	H C Tucker, B H Duncan.
Hospital	G C Shepherd.
Christian Education	W E Denney.
Digest Church Letters	F B Tucker, D C Severt, J H Wagoner.
Obituaries	R F Gentry.

Constitution

Article 1. This body shall be called the Ashe Association.

2. The object of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the gospel in our bounds, and in all the world, and in this work the Association will co-operate with the Baptist Convention of North Carolina.

3. The members of this body shall be all the ordained ministers of the churches of this Association, and three delegates from each church, who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment and giving statistics of the membership and work of the church.

4. At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, in such way as the association may direct. The last two offices may be held by the same brother.

5. The Moderator shall preside at the meetings, preserve order, appoint committees, and perform such duties as are required of presiding officers.

6. The Clerk shall keep a correct record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing and distribution to the churches, the proceedings of the body.

7. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent to the Association, to pay them out as the Association may direct, and make a report at each annual session.

8. The Association shall hold an annual meeting at such time and place as may be agreed upon.

9. At each annual meeting there shall be appointed an executive committee of five brethren who shall look after the destitution in the bounds of this Association, and co-operate with the State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention, making to the next session a report of the work done and all the general State Mission work.

10. The Association shall convene annually on the last Friday in August. At each annual session there shall be appointed committees to make reports to the ensuing session, on the following subjects to-wit: State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions Pastoral Support, Ministerial Education, Baptist Orphanage, Biblical Recorder Temperance, Digest of Church Letters, Finance, Place and Preacher for next Association, and Baptist Hospital.

11. Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

12. The Association will not retain in permanent fellowship any church that retains in its fellowship any member who is disorderly in doctrine or practice, or who makes, sells, or in any way deals in ardent spirits as a beverage.

13. This Constitution may be amended by a vote of two thirds of the members present at any annual session.

Abstract of Principles

1 We believe in only one true and living God, and that there are three persons in the God-head, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, and that these three are one.

2. We believe that the Bible, the New and Old Testaments, is the Word of God and the only rule of faith and practice.

3. We believe in the impotency of man and the sovereignty of God

4 We believe that salvation is by Grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ to be practiced only by believers in their spiritual order.

6. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator, and that those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and doctrine, should take the Lord's Supper.

7. We believe in the final perseverance of the saints in grace to glory.

8. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment.

9. We believe that the existence of the righteous and the wicked will both be of eternal duration, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

Rules of Order

1 Every session shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2 When the Moderator calls the house to order, every member shall at once take his seat.

3 When a member wishes to speak he shall rise and address the Moderator, and not proceed till he is recognized.

4 No member shall speak more than twice on any subject except by permission of the body.

5 No member shall leave the body during the session without permission of the Moderator.

6 It will be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold private conversation while any person is speaking.

P-R-O-C-E-E-D-I-N-G-S

Tuckerdale, N. C.
Friday, Aug. 29, 1924.

The Ashe Missionary Baptist Association met in its 38th Annual Session with Tuckerdale Missionary Baptist Church August 29, 1924. The Introductory sermon was delivered by Rev. T. M. Hayes. Text Ephesians, 3rd chapter, 18 verse. Subject, "That ye may know the breadth, length, depth and height of God's love."

2. Election of officers. Upon motion of Rev. T. M. Hayes, and seconded by E. L. Tucker, Prof. J. C. Goodman and W. C. Johnston were re-elected by acclamation as Moderator and Clerk, respectively of the Ashe Association.

3. Roll call of churches. 31 church letters were handed in.

4. Call for new churches. A letter of application from Baptist Chapel, asking restoration into the Ashe Association by recommendation. The recommendations were furnished by ministers and members of the churches of the Ashe Association. Following is the letter of application:

"The Baptist Chapel Church, to the Ashe Association:

Greetings:

"We, the Baptist Chapel Church, do ask for admission into your body. This church was organized as a missionary Baptist church about eighty-two years ago, but changed her membership from the New River Association to the Mountain Union Association, and now having decided, for reasons not mentioned, to again affiliate ourselves with you, and to help carry forward the great Missionary cause, we ask for admission into your body by recommendation.

We refer you to Rev. W. F. Barker, J. C. Jones and W. L. Hurley of the Landmark Baptist Church, Rev. Estle Eller, W. M. Lovelace, Cicero Deboard of the Pleasant Home Baptist Church, and to Rev. W. E Denney, our pastor, for recommendation.

"Respectfully submitted,

"Baptist Chapel Church."

5. By motion the Baptist Chapel Church was received into the Ashe Missionary Baptist Association. The vote was unanimous for the reception of this church.

6. By request of brother James Eller, presented to the association by Rev. H. W. Baucom of Winston-Salem, a prayer was offered in behalf of Mrs. Eller who was seriously ill. The prayer was led by Rev. J. R. Shoemate. After prayer the association was adjourned for one hour.

Friday Afternoon Session, 1:30 P. M.

1. The afternoon session was opened by singing, followed by prayer, led by Rev. J. F. Fletcher of Raleigh, N. C.

2. The invitation to visitors was extended and the following were seated with the association: Rev. H. W. Baucom and I. G. Sisk of Pilot Mountain Association: Rev. S. F. Morton of Yadkin and Surry Association; Rev. J. F. Fletcher of Central Association; Rev. S. Blevins and Rev. J. R. Dolinger of Lebanon Asssociation; Rev. R. S. Whittington of Brushy Mountain Association; Revs. C. L. Stikes, G. M. Reuning and J. R. Sumate of New River Association.

3. Reading of Abstract of Principles and Rules of Order.

4. Standing committees were called and all were found ready to report, save the committee on Obituaries, they not being present.

5. By unanimous consent of the association the present Executive Committee were retained for another year.

6. The delegates of the Tuckerdale Church, together with Rev. Coy S. Blackburn were appointed as Committee on Religious Exercises during this session of the association.

7. Ira T. Johnston, R. F. Gentry and J. F. Fletcher were chosen as Committee on Resolutions.

8. George Hopkins was appointed to submit a report on Temperance.

9. G. S. Holman, W. C. Trivett, F. N. Stevens, W. H. Tyree, G. B. Doggette, George Hopkins, H. C. Tucker and J. W. Huffman were appointed to select Place and Preacher for the next annual session of the association. Three churches asked for the association, Laurel Knob, Peak Valley, West Jefferson.

10. Rev. H. W. Baucom was appointed to submit a report on the Baptist Hospital of Winston-Salem. Rev. Baucom read a report sent out by the Baptist State Board and suggested that the same be included in the minutes of the association.

BAPTIST HOSPITAL

The North Carolina Baptist Hospital begins its second year of ministry under most favorable conditions. The first year exceeded our highest expectations in the number of patients, in the amount of charity work, and the extent of the influence and blessings of our great Home of Healing. 1400 patients were treated, nearly 200 charity patients came to us from every quarter of the state. With joy we received these and gave them our best. It may be said that all were not cured. Some were unimproved. Some came and we had to say that we could not do them any good. Some went away disappointed because we could not cure them of their troubles. Our physicians

fail some times to diagnose the case, as do all other physicians. Some came to late. Some had incurable troubles. But after all this has been said, the record of our work for healing those who came has been wonderful. Surely the good Lord has guided the mind and the hand of the physician who has treated these sick and suffering ones from many places in our state. The percentage of cures has been unusual, and for this we rejoice. We believe prayer contributed no little to the result of our efforts. For the last two months our earnings have equalled our expenditures,—a fact that is far beyond the expectations of our Board. The prophesy was that this would not be reached in two years. The second year began with the hospital full of patients as far as we are open. We have 86 available beds,—the fifth floor is still being used for graduate nurses because we have no Nurses' Home. We are expecting to increase the number of patients at least 50% this year. The second class of pupil nurses has been organized and are at work. Now we have 22 pupil nurses. After this year these will largely substitute the number of graduate nurses necessary to run the Hospital and this will greatly cut our expenses. These girls are all Christians and are willing, courteous, pleasant and earnest. They are in the profession for a high purpose and they give the patients their best. They love the cause, and service is their motto.

The grounds have been beautified by a splendid coat of grass, shrubbery and trees. We have increased our field of endeavor and added to our efficiency and equipment during the past months.

NEEDS

We have many urgent needs at this time. We need money to carry on our charity work. Mothers' Day Offering amounted to $10,000 which did not pay the indebtedness for supplies and the expenses of opening. This left us with a debt for all charity work already done and facing the necessity of borrowing every cent for charity for the next twelve months. We are urging churches to make contributions in the Sunday School to help raise money to help pay the expenses for the patients they send so we may be able to care for them. Our charity work averages about $750 per month. If the churches will raise about half the expenses of those they send we will be able to meet all demands. Otherwise we must turn many away.

We need a Nurses' Home. We are deprived of 18 of our best beds because we must keep these nurses on our fifth floor. We ought to build this home.

We need radium. Many have cancers and other malignant diseases who cannot be cured without radium. $10,000 will buy us an

ample supply. Some good brother who loves the Lord and suffering humanity ought to give us this and bless our people for the next three thousand years.

We thank God for the progress. We thank our people for their support. We pray for your interest and co-operation. Come to us, send your friends to us and tell others about our hospital.

11. Rev. S. F. Morton discussed the work of the Baptist Hospital and its importance to the Baptist cause in North Carolina.

12. The committee on religious exercises report as follows:

Rev. J. R. Shumate to preach Friday 2: 30 P. M.
Rev. S. Blevins " " " 7: 30 "
Rev. E. Blevins to conduct devotional services Saturday morning at 9 A. M.

Rev. S. Blevins not being present to preach at 7: 30, Rev. H. W. Baucom supplied.

Respectfully submitted.

Rev. Coy S. Blackburn, E. L. Tucker,
W. H. Darnell H. A. Eller.

13. Report on Christian Education was delivered by Rev. J. S. Hopkins, followed by a talk on the importance of B. Y. P. U. work as one means of Christian Education, the importance of Church Schools, such as Oak Hill, Mountain View and others, toward the development of the younger folks of today and the importance of teaching the Holy Bible in the home. Several took part in the discussion, among them were Rev. J. S. Hopkins, Dell Goodman, Rev. T. M. Hayes, Rev. J. F. Fletcher and others.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Christian Education is one of the most, if not the most, vital factors in the promulgation of Christ's message to the world. Christian training is the backbone of Christian activities. But a brief survey of the workings of the churches of the Ashe Association leads us to the conclusion that probably this is the most neglected phase of our work. The challenge has never been greater nor the call more intense than now for Ashe county Baptists to put forth their supreme efforts in the training of their youth. The demand has never been greater for trained leaders in our churches. Ignorance has long been our most bitter enemy, and unless this foe is captured, we can never expect progressive churches.

Realizing the great importance of Christian Education and the great need for trained men and women to carry on the work of Jesus Christ, your committee offer the the following suggestions:

1. That the parents be more diligent in the teaching of the Bible

in the homes. Fathers and mothers are shamefully neglecting their children in this particular way. Our Bibles are covered with dust while the boys and girls go ignorant of God's teachings and become irreverant toward all holy things. In the home is the place to inculcate in the child the sacred truths, "and when he is old he will not depart from it."

2. That the importance of Sunday Schools be stressed more. Too great emphasis cannot be placed here. The universality of the S.S. makes it one of the greatest factors in Christian education; therefore every possible effort should be put forth to make our Sunday-schools the very best.

3. That more attention be given to the training of the young people. Of all the organizations in the Baptist churches, the B.Y.P.U. has been the most neglected in the Ashe Association. It is a tragic scene to see the talented young men and women in this association that do not have an opportunity to train themselves in Christian work. The B.Y.P.U. is the training camp of the Baptist church, and if the church doesn't have a B.Y.P.U., she has no reserves in training. Unless the Baptist young people receive this training from the hands of our churches, they are being robbed of that which does rightly belong to them.

4. That we insist upon the teachers of our public schools being men and women of strong Christian character.

5. That we give undivided support to our denominational schools. In the denominational schools, training in orthodoxy is unparalelled. It, therefore, behooves every Baptist parent to make sacrifices that his boys and girls may share the benefits of these noble institutions. Respectfully submitted.

J. S. Hopkins, Com.

Report on Biblical Recorder was delivered by Ira T. Johnston and discussed by Rev. S. F. Morton and others.

REPORT ON BIBLICAL RECORDER

Ashe Association, Baptist Church, Tuckerdale, N. C.,
August 29th, 1924.

This is an age of information. People are reading more than ever before in the history of the world. This is especially true in Ashe County and Northwest North Carolina. Daily motor mail service has meant a daily paper in hundreds of homes west of the Blue Ridge on the day of publication. Our people have had their horizon widened and the gateways to the great outside world opened as never before. All this is well. Ashe County Baptists welcome the new era and pray for greater progress.

However, every progressive movement in other realms of thought and action and material developement within our borders imposes new obligations upon us who uphold the banner of the Baptist Church and of King Immanuel. If our growth is mental, moral, and spiritual as well as physical, our information must be of the right sort, our reading must be of the right sort. And unless we desire a lop-sided development, we certainly must not neglect reading religious literature. First of all, we should dust off our family Bibles and commune with the master minds who, we believe, held communion as they wrote with the Divine. Next, we should plan for ourselves and our children to receive reading matter as varied as we wish our lives to be; and our denominational paper will assuredly have a place in any well-chosen list.

Baptists in North Carolina are particularly fortunate in having the Biblical Recorder, a publication that in arrangement and subject matter compares favorably with the secular and religious papers of the country. It has departments which are of interest to every member of the family. Its readers are informed by its pages of the activities of the denomination as they can be in no other way.

What would you think of a physician who has no medical books in his library and does not read of any of the new developments in realm of medical science? What would you think of a lawyer who has no law books and court reports in his library and who has no method of keeping up with happenings in the legal world? What would you think of a Christian who is ignorant of the great Textbook of the Christian, the Bible?

And what would you think of a Baptist who for the pittance of $2.00 per year debars himself and his family of the wealth of information and inspiration to be found in his state denominational paper, the Biblical Recorder?

Let's give it 100% subscription list in Ashe Association. It will help the paper, and it will help the Baptist cause in Ashe county immeasureably more.

Ira T. Johnston, Committee.

15. Subscriptions to the Recorder were solicited, 7 subscribing.

16. By motion it was ordered that a committee of five be appointed to consider carefully and prayerfully, the advisability af amending the Constitution to stop the plan of carrying on preaching service at the same time that the business of the association is being transacted, preaching to be given a place on the program. This com. to report at the next annual session of the association. Committee appointed: C. W. Phillips, J. C. Green, W. T. Harless, J. W. Barr, and J. F. Dillard.

17. List of homes where delegates were to spend the night were read.

18. By motion the meeting was adjourned until 9 a. m. Saturday morning. Dell Goodman announced the Benediction.

Saturday Morning Session

1. The Association met according to adjournment. One half hour was spent in devotional exercises conducted by Rev. E. E. Blevins.

2. By motion it was ordered that the body discuss prohibition, or law enforcement without a written report. The discussion was carried on by David Harless, Rev. T. M. Hayes, Rev. J. R. Sumate and others.

3. Upon the call for letters from churches absent during the Friday Session, none responded.

4. The Moderator appointed the following as a finance committee: Rev. J. S. Hopkins, C. W. Phillips, and J. P. Howell

5. Report on Pastoral Support was submitted by G. B. Doggette. The report was discussed by G. B. Doggett, Ira T. Johnston, Rev J.F. Fletcher and others.

PASTORAL SUPPORT

In the 10th chapter of St. Luke's Gospel, we read that Jesus sent forth seventy of his disciples into every city and place whither He himself would come.

He commanded them to make no material provision for their journey, stating plainly in the last part of the 7th verse that the laborer is worthy of his hire.

Then again in the 9th chapter of first Corinthians and the 14th v., we hear St. Paul saying, "Even so hath the Lord ordained chat they which preach the gospel should live of the gospel."

And so, if Jesus Christ ordained that ministers of the gospel be supported by those to whom they preach, then it becomes the scriptural duty of every Christian to aid in supporting his or her pastor.

Your committee urges that the churches of the Ashe Association form themselves into groups or fields and call full time pastors for such groups or fields as may be formed, and pay them living salaries so that they may be able to do efficient preaching and work for their churches. Your committee believes in paying the pastor a living salary in reasonable proportion to the salaries paid to other laborers.

It is true the ministers of the gospel have great assurance of rich rewards in heaven, but this assurance does not satisfy temporal needs. Brethren, pay your pastor.

Respectfully submitted. G. B. Doggette, Com.

6. Congressman Robt. L. Doughton of the Alleghany Association was seated with the body and made a short address on the importance of church work.

7. The call for discussion of the 75-Million Campaign was well answered. Rev. H. W. Baucom of Winston-Salem opened the discussion, urging the Baptists of Ashe County to go over the top with their pledges.

8. By motion it was ordered to go on record that the Ashe Association start with a new determination to complete the 75-Million Campaign.

9. By motion it was ordered that a committee be appointed to solicit funds for the 1925 program.

10. By motion the association was adjourned for one hour The benediction was announced by Rev. J. R. Shumate.

Saturday Afternoon Session

1. Session opened by song and prayer. The prayer was led by Rev. John Anderson.

2. The committee on Sunday Schools reported that they chose to adopt the report submitted by the committee last year. The Report was read from the minutes by the clerk.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

(Report of last year.)

Without criticizing the former excellent reports on Sunday-schools, or by inference reflecting upon them, your committee has decided to take another tack, and instead of adding to the words of wisdom emphasizing the value of the Sunday-school to the church which grace the old minutes, give some figures that to our minds speak louder than any words of ours can speak. These figures are taken from our last minutes.

The expenses of all the Sunday-schools in Ashe County as reported a year ago amounted to $236.69 annually. That is the members of Baptist Churches in Ashe County contribute less than ten cents per member to the Sunday-school work.

Nine of our forty five Baptist Churches reported no Sunday-school whatever, a twenty per cent deficiency.

Out of our 2356 members of Baptist Churches in Ashe County, only 524 were reported enrolled in Sunday-schools; and this 524 is the number that is enrolled in Sunday-school, which of course includes more than can be counted as regular attendants. About one in four of the white population of North Carolina is enrolled in all the Sunday-schools of the state. Ashe County Baptists make a worse showing than this sorry porportion as less than one in four of our own

church members are enrolled in onr Sunday schools.

The average number of teachers reported for Sunday schools of the county is three.

About six Sunday schools in the county report that they are open all the year.

Between the lines of these figures, your committee reads: That there are too few classes, that little effort has been made to grade the Sunday schools, and that practically no equipment for teaching, except a small amount of literature, is provided. That the adult church members are largely uninterested and that only a part of the younger members of our churches are enrolled in Sunday-school. That our pastors do not take the same interest, (there are some shining exceptions, thank God!) in the Sunday-schools that they do in regular church services.

Your committee would set as a goal for Ashe County Baptists:

1. A Sunday-school in every church, open the year round.
2. One hundred per cent. resident church membership enrolled.
3. Increase contributions to provide sufficient literature and equipment.
4. Organized and graded Sunday- schools, with at least five classes and more where practicable.
5. A County wide or Association wide effort to provide teacher training for our Sunday-school teachers.
6. The selection of officers and teachers of irreproachable Christian character.

Shakespeare says, "If to do were as easy as to know what were well to do, then chapels had been churches and poor men's hovels princes palaces." We have set a high standard which we cannot reach at a single flight. But we can work with our ideals among the stars and climb higher than if we are satisfied with the shabby showing our last minute disclosed. "A man's reach should exceed his grasp or what's a Heaven for?"

This is a worthy program, and if carried out would double the efficiency of our churches and mightily please our Lord Jesus, who spent His Sabbath days teaching the Scriptures in the synagogues of Capernaum and Galilee.

Respectfully submitted,

Ira T. Johnston }
L. D. Blackburn } Committee

3. Report of W. W. Blackburn, Sunday School Director, was presented. The following is the report:

I, the Sunday School Director for the years 1923 and 1924 of

the Ashe Association, report the organization of 16 Sunday-schools, four of which held evergreen Sunday-schools.

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. Blackburn.

4. Time for the closing of business of association drawing near, the following reports were ordered entered in the minutes without being read to the Association: Home Missions, State Missions, Foreign Missions, and Baptist Orphanage.

HOME MISSIONS

We are deeply concerned about all the phases of our mission work; Foreign, Home and State, but it seems that there are some who are unwilling to join heartily in Mission work. There are those who are opposed to any form of missions, but the host of God-fearing and liberty-loving Baptists are marching on to Zion through our Mission Boards.

Home Missions embrace work for the Master in the Southland. Our Board at Atlanta, Georgia, is the agency through which our Baptist forces combine their resources and their energies to make desert places to garden into veritable gardens of the Lord in the countryside and the growing towns and cities in the newer sections of our country. The activities are so many that we can only write briefly of each.

Co-operative Missions— This is one of our five departments. In co-operation with mission work in each State we are able to do effective work. The sum of about $175,000 is used in this work.

Evangelism and Enlistment — Results in this two years ago justified their consideration. There are 80 workers. During the past year we spent $150,000. From the field 15,000 conversions are reported.

Foreigners and Negroes— In this department we had 95 workers with an expenditure over $100,000. These classes of people are a menace to our civilization. Our only remedy is to give them the gospel.

Mountain Schools - The number is 51. We have 5000 pupils taught by 235 teachers. The Board pays $55,000 to defray a part of the expenses. For improvement we have spent over $100,000. The income is approximately $200,000. The total valuation of property is $1,500,000. The schools are fulfilling an important mission. We have 290 ministers, besides the many boys and girls who have received their first vision of a higher life.

In Cuba and Panama — Among the people in these two places we have a great work started with 80 workers at an expense of $75,000.

Soldiers, Seamen and Marines — With an appropriation of$25,000

and 15 workers we are supplying a need.

Church extention— This field has a large opportunity for usefulness. We gave aid to 100 churches with an income of $190,000.

Southern Baptist Sanitorium— Our Board used $40,000 on this institution. We have a place where our people may go for treatment and have suitable environment.

Let our brethren and their churches share in this great work that is on among our Southern Baptists.

Respectfully submitted.

B. H. Duncan, Com.

STATE MISSIONS

Our Baptist State Convention was organized in the town of Greenville March 26, 1830. The two primary objects the convention had in mind in the organization of the convention were the evangelization of our State and the education of our young preachers.

The great commission said, make disciples of all nations and teach them.

Since the organization of the State Mission Board, the blessings of God have been richly upon our work; many pastors have been aided, many churches strengthened, many souls saved, and the work has gloriously prospered. But today our State Board labors under heavy debt. Let us pray, and give of our money, until the Board is out of debt and the work may go forward.

Submitted. S. C. Blackburn.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

We are glad to know that our Foreign Mission work is growing. The Baptists of our great Southland are living nearer to the command of Jesus, when he said, "go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature". All are not actually going into all the world, but a large majority of them are helping to send others there.

During the campaign years until Jan. 1, 1924, out of the $48,498-219.75 paid in, $9,235,521.66 went to the Foreign Mission Board. With this money it was possible for the Board to extend its work into seven new countries—Spain, Jugo-Slavia, Hungary, Roumania, Russia, Siberia and Palestine. This adds approximately 128 million to our possible missionary audience. During those years a larger amount of work was done in the old fields. The number of churches has increased 76 per cent. with an increase in membership of 108 per cent. Mission schools have increased 55 per cent., while the number of students increased 108 per cent. The number of Foreign missionaries has increased 63 per cent. and the number of native missionaries employed 264 per cent. The number of hospitals has

TABLE I.— STATISTICAL

CHURCHES	PASTORS & P. O.	CLERKS & P. O.	Time of Preaching	Value of Church Property	Gained: By Baptism	By Letter	By Restored	Lost: By Letter	Excluded	Death	Total Membership
Apple Grove	James Sexton, Edison, N. C.	H. A. Miller, Whitetop, Va.		600	.....	.....	..	1	..	1	42
Ball Mountain	S.C. Blackburn, W. Jefferson "	J.T.Campbell, Beaver Ck. NC	3	1200	13	2					78
Baptist Home	Not represented.										
Beaver Creek	E Blevins, Silas Creek, "	J O Goodman, Beaver C'k "	2	100	5	1					49
Bethel	" "	C W Phillips, "	2	3000						1	112
Big Flats	J F Anderson, Alvarado, Va.	Minnie M Haire, Fleetwood	2&4	1200	8			1		1	79
Big Laurel	Not represented										
Bristol	G L Denny, Grassy Creek, NC	W A Wallace, Jefferson, NC	3	1000		2		4			51
Buffalo	S C Blackburn, W. Jefferson	B S Harless, Beaver Creek "	3	700	20		5				124
Clifton	R M Burkett, Jefferson, "	W T Miller, Clifton, "	2	1000	1		2				11
Forest Home	Not resresented.										
Friendship	E Blevins, Silas Creek	W R Weaver, Jefferson		800	11	1		3		1	102
Glendale Sp'gs.	R M Burkett, Jefferson	W C Beshears, Reno, "		1500							22
Healing Sp'gs.	J O Spencer, Grassy Creek "	W H Wiles, Crumpler	1	1500	16	9	2			1	124
Jefferson	O B Mitchell, W. Jefferson	Ira Johnston, Jefferson	2&4			4	2				40
Landmark	James Sexton, Edison	Doval Denney, Grassy Creek	4	2000	2	3	5	6	8	1	163
Laurel Knob	W H Michael, Trade, Tenn	J F Pe rson, Todd	1	1000	9	1			1		87
Liberty Grove	S C Blackburn W. Jefferson	L N Keller, Garren	1	1000	7						64
Liberty Hill	Not represented		2								
Little Helton	M D Blackburn, Grassy Creek	Lee Waddell, Grassy Creek			2	2	4				22
Long Branch	J D Sexton, Edison	J C Welch Lansing	3	1500				1	4		63
Meadow View	J O Spencer, Grassy Creek	C C Barker, Grassy Creek	4	1200	2						40
Mission Home	S C Blackburn, W. Jefferson	J F Blackburn, Fleetwood	1	600		9		5	1	1	104
Mountain View	G L Denney, Grassy Creek	John Coldiron, Eldreth	1	800				1			34
New River	J O Spencer, " "	R W Blackburn, Grassy Cr'k.	3	1200	10	6		4		1	153

Obids	R M Burkett, Jefferson	D C Severt, W. Jefferson	4	1500			2				60
Old Fields	F C Watts, Purlear	L D Blackburn, Idlewild	1		2	3				2	162
Orion	R M Burkett, Jefferson	J F Dillard, Orion	1	1500							62
Peak Valley	W H Michael, Trade, Tenn	J M Vannoy, Toliver	3	600	2	4				1	48
Phœnix	W E Denney, Silas Creek NC	H A Eller, Bina	2	1000	17	1					90
Pilot Mountain	J A Anderson, Alvarado, Va	C Tucker, Brownwood	1&2	400				1		1	55
Pleasant Hill	Not represented										
Pleasant Home	W E Denney, Grassy Creek,	G E Gambill, Grassy Creek	4	1000	5	1	2	7	3		88
Tuckerdale	James Sexton, Edison	E L Tucker, Tuckerdale	2	1500	8	1	1	1		1	52
Valley Home											
West Jefferson	O B Mitchell	W C Johnston, W. Jefferson	1,3,4	1000	4	5		7			114
Zion Hill	Not represented.										
Baptist Chapel	W E Denney, Grassy Creek	Edwin Blevins, Helton, NC		1000	9	1		7		1	65
				31,400	163	52	26	47	17	14	2360

TABLE-- Woman's Missionary Union

Church	Organization	President and Post Office		Members	75 Million	Other Benevolences	Total Contributions
Beaver Creek	W. M. S.	Mrs. J. O. Goodman	Beaver Creek, N.C	6	.....	.....	37.50
Big Flatts	W. M. S.	Mrs. F. L. Houck	Fleetwood	10	40.00	45.00	85.00
"	Sunbeams	Minnie Haire	"		4.70		4.70
Buffalo	W. M. S.	Mrs. E C Eller	Bina	9	15.00	6.00	21.00
Mission Home	W. M. S.	Mrs. Lucy Greene	Fleetwood	14	42.50	16.55	59.05
West Jefferson	W. M. S.	Mrs. Hal Dogette	West Jefferson	22	95.40	135.55	230.95
" "	Sunbeams	" O. B. Mitchell	"	24	3.25	2 46	5.11

increased 21 per cent. and the number of treatments given in hospitals 61 per cent. Other things have increased in proportion. During this period the average increase in all phases of Foreign Mission work has been over 90 per cent.

This shows us what money will do, and should encourage us to make a desperate effort to see that all campaign pledges are paid before the year is out. By doing this we will untie the hands of our Foreign Mission Board so that they can strengthen and extend missionary operations. In this way we can more nearly fulfil that great command that we, as missionary Baptists, so firmly believe. Let us therefore, be praying, working and paying missionaries.

A. D. Goodman.

ORPHANAGE

The Orphanage is the one vital living department of our denominational work that keeps us in constant touch with the crying needs of our dependent children.

For 39 years this work has been growing until we are now caring for 550 children at Thomasville and the Kennedy Home and 312 out in the state with their mothers.

The current fund necessary to maintain the Orphanage is around $175,000 the year, not including buildings and improvements. The contributions of one Sunday in each month from the Sunday School and a great Thanksgiving offering equal to ONE DAY'S INCOME has become the main source of supply. The marvelous way in which the Lord has blessed this big home is a loud call for our continued loyalty. The denomination from mountain to sea has been wonderfully strengthened by the reflex influence of their generous giving to the Orphanage.

The helpless childhood of our state lays upon us the obligation to widen our work and to reach out the hands of help to those who are without a penny, a home, or a friend. And there are hundreds of children in North Carolina utterly destitute who are as worthy and as promising as those who already enjoying the blessing and protection of the Orphanage. So the task ever widens and we are therefore asking the Sunday Schools and churches of this association to make larger investments in the Orphanage.

J. W. Barr, E. C. Eller.

DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS

From the reports of 31 churches, we your committee submit the following report:

Value of church property $31,400. Received by baptism 153; by letter 52; by restoration 26. Losses: By letter 47; exclusion 17 by death 14. Total gain 153. Present Membership 2,350.

Financial:— Pastors' Salaries $3,573.95; Other Salaries $94.80; Ministerial Help $452.23; Building and Repairs $1,655.05; Incidental, Sexton and Insurance $269.50; Expenses of Sunday-school and B.Y.P.U. $332.47; Local Poor $172.12; Minute Fund $70.75; Other Items $105.27; 75-Million undesignated $645.63; Foreign Missions $16.35; Home Missions $14.85; State Missions $10.00; Christian Education $18.25; Orphanage $432.20; Hospital $64.77; Ministerial Relief $32.05; Total spent for all causes, $7,624.25.

Respectfully submitted.

D. C. Severt, W. E. Denney.

Add this to the Sunday School Report on pages 14-15:
Church Members 2,403,—600 enrolled; Expenses $233.57; Average No. Teachers 6; No. open year round, 13.

OBITUARIES

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LEVI P. ASHLEY was born Aug. 31, 1871. Death April 17, 1924: Married to Miss Victoria Cox Nov. 1, 1892.

He professed faith in Christ about 1906. He united with Forest Home Baptist church and later became one of the members who took letters and formed the Berlin, but now, Phœnix church, and later, with wife and children, joined Forest Home church for convenience

He was ordained a deacon while a member of Berlin church. He was active in that office till his death. He was a kind husband and father, a useful citizen and faithful Christian, a good neighbor, ever ready to aid in any good work. We miss his cheerful aid in many ways and cherish his memory.

MRS. H. M. PATRICK, our dear grandma, died Sept. 9, 1923, at the age of 96 years, 10 months and 24 days.

She joined the Baptist church at the age of 18 years and lived a member 78 years.

It grieves us to give her up, but we know that our loss is her eternal gain.

Done by her grand son and daughter. Joe Tyree,
Mollie Tyree.

MRS. AMELIA GOODMAN was born Dec. 16, 1875, departed this life March 14, 1924, making her stay on earth 48 years, 2 mo. and 28 days.

She was married Dec. 6, 1906 to Otto Goodman.

TABLE II.—

CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help	Building & Repairs	Incidental Sext. Ins.	Expenses SS & BYPU	Loc. Poor	Minute Fund	Other Items
Apple Grove	36.00	4.00		625.00		11.00		2.50	
Ball Mountain	113.85	12.00				8.00		1.80	
Baptist Home								1.00	
Beaver Creek	60.00					5.60		1.00	
Bethel	55.00							2.00	
Big Flats	100.12				2.00	14.93	50.00	2.00	
Big Laurel	Not represented.								
Bristol	61.25			150.00				2.65	
Buffalo	185.00		47.00	10.00	104.00	9.68	14.00	3.00	2.21
Clifton	73.00			5.00				2.00	
Forest Home	Not represented.								
Friendship	43.25					6.00		3.00	55.00
Glendale Sp'gs.	11.83							1.15	
Healing Sp'gs.	107.50	6.80	29.00		8.00	13.15	38.75	4.00	
Jefferson	222.29			8.55	24.00	25.54			18.00
Landmark	88.50					5.32		5.30	
Laurel Knob	106.52		12.97	4.00	3.50	8.59	11.50	1.80	
Liberty Grove	100.00		91.45	4.00		10.17	7.87	2.00	
Liberty Hill	Not represented								
Little Helton	112.94					16.50		2.00	
Long Branch	75.00		15.00	12.00				2.00	
Meadow View	38.50		10.00			6.00		1.75	
Mission Home	119.67		33.81	2.00					30.06
Mountain View	17.31		5.00	500.00				1.20	
New River	100.00	30.00				13.11	15.00	3.60	
Obids	55.21	17.00		200.00		5.84		1.00	
Old Fields	104.91		31.00					2.50	
Orion	50.00			130.00		6.00		2.00	
Peak Valley	31.40					8.00		2.00	
Phœnix	73.00		80.00				25.00	5.00	
Pilot Mountain	20.90					4.50		1.00	
Pleasant Hill	Not represented								
Pleasant Home	75.00			4.50				3.50	
Tuckerdale	89.50		32.00			8.77			
Valley Home									
West Jefferson.	900.00	25.00	65.00		128.00	145.77	10.00	5.00	
Zion Hill	Not represented								
Baptist Chapel	22 50							3 00	
	3,573.95	94.80	452.23	1.655.05	269.50	332.47	172.12	70.75	105.27

FINANCIAL

75-Million Undes.	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	State Missions	Christian Education	Orphanage	Hospitals	Ministerial Relief	TOTAL
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	678.50
141.00					23.74			300.39
								1.00
26.00								92.60
78.10								125.10
53.40					30.01		4.35	256.81
								212.90
152.23					60.00	2.21		589.33
					3.00			83.00
								107.25
								12.98
					27.36			234.56
						1.80		300.18
					13.25			112.37
	1.50				7.00			157.38
					70.90	18.26		304.65
	4.85	4.85						141.14
					4.50			108.50
								56.25
	10.00	10.00	10.00	18.25	81.00	42.50		357.29
					1.40			524.91
66.90					67.10			295.21
								279.05
					8.80			147.22
								188.00
					7.00			48.40
13.00					8.00			204.00
								26.40
4.00								87.00
26.70					1.00		27.70	185.67
84.30					13.00			1376.07
					5.14			30.64
645.63	16.35	14.85	10.00	18.25	432.20	64.77	32.05	7,625.25

She professed faith in Christ at an early age and joined the Mission Home church in Ashe county, N. C , of which she lived a faithful member until death.

She was cared for by kind and loving hands; everything was done for her that was possible, but she had to go. For some time she had been a great sufferer with the dreaded disease, cancer, but she bore her suffering with great patience. She will be greatly missed by those who knew her, Also, in our Sunday School a pew is vacant and a faithful working teacher is gone, but we are consoled that she has not lived in vain.

She talked so much about her Saviour, trusted in God and was willing for His will to be done.

She leaves to mourn their loss, a husband, three sisters, six brothers and a host of friends and relatives.

How hard it is to stand by the death-bed of our loved ones and see them cross the chilly waters of death !

O! call it not death, 'tis life begun,
For the waters are passed and home is won;
The ransomed spirit hath reached the shore
Where they weep and suffer and sin no more.

She is safe in her Father's house above.
In the place prepared by her Saviour's love,
To depart from the world of sin and strife,
And to be with Jesus; yes this is life.

BIRDIE BRINEGAR. On the 20th day of August, 1924, our community was shocked by the sudden death of our sister Birdie Brinegar. She was born July 3, 1874 Age 50 years, 1 mo. 17 da.

She was the daughter of David and Martha Barker—one of a family of 15 children.

She was married to L. M. Brinegar Dec. 10, 1896. To this union were born 4 children, two now living.

Birdie professed faith in Christ about 30 years ago and united with the Landmark Baptist church where she lived a faithful member until death. Birdie was a good mother, a kind and considerate neighbor, and a friend to all she came in touch with. She will be greatly missed in the community, and those who knew her best.

Written by Rev. W. E. Denney.

MARCUS COMBS. On Wednesday, Sept. 12, 1923, the Lord called from our midst Brother Marcus Combs, who was born Oct. 8, 1861, aged 61 years, 11 months and 4 days.

He was married to Elizabeth Powers in 1885. To this union were

born 3 children.

After the decease of his wife Elizabeth, he was again married to Ellen Miller in the year 1904.

Bro. Combs professed faith in Christ and joined the Tuckerdale Baptist Church in the early spring of 1918. He was devoted to his church, his pastor, and to the cause of his Lord in all things that he believed to be right. He was greatly interested in the salvation of the unsaved and especially the young people.

The home going of Bro. Combs was peaceful. He was fully concious of his condition and when the time came for him to cross the turbid waters he was ready.

He leaves a dear wife and three children, with a host of friends to mourn his departure, but we feel that our loss is his eternal gain.

Written by request.

W. E. Denney.

SERILDA E. WALTERS TATUM was born April 15, 1860; died Aug. 9, 1923, aged 63 years, 3 months and 25 days.

She was married to G. H. Tatum at the age of 17 years. To this union three children were born: Mrs. J. A. Howell, Mrs. J.L.Miller and Mrs. R. B. Brown. The husband and all the children, together with the seventeen grandchildren, survive.

Mrs. Tatum early in life gave her heart to God, joined the Bethel Baptist church about the age of 15 years, and after her marriage, moved her membership to South Fork Baptist church, where she remained a faithful member until she quietly and peacefully fell asleep in Jesus.

Her religious life was very beautifully expressed in her thoughtful tenderness toward her husband, her children and her grand-children. Herself was forgotten when they had need of her.

Mrs. Tatum further expressed her religious life in her thoughtful care toward her neighbors. She concerned herself about her neighbors' needs and especially that of the child. Passing children were often fed. Surely when she underwent the test from her Lord, He said: "In as much as ye did it unto one of the least of these, well done thou faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

Mrs. Tatum has suffered with what seemed to be an incurable maledy for two years, but she has borne her suffering as patiently as its nature would allow, and she has been faithfully and tenderly cared for. A useful life has come to an end in so far as the world is concerned. A happy home has been made desolate. Wife, mother and grandmother will be missed in the home, but heaven has acquired a new meaning because of her passing. In Jesus' name let us go forth to meet her again.

Printed by request of Rev. S. C. Blackburn.

TABLE III.—SUNDAY SCHOOLS

CHURCH	SUPT. & P. O.	SEC'Y. & P. O.	Officers and Teachers	Beginners 3 to 5	Primary 6 to 8	Junior 9 to 12	Intermediate 13 to 16	Senior & Adult 17 and up	Home Department	TOTAL	Baptisms from School
Apple Grove	S. N. Howell, Husk, N. C.	H. A. Miller, Whitetop, Va.	5	24	18	14	21	12	.....	94	.....
Ball Mountain	W. L. Houck, BeaverCreek '	Estell Goodman Beaver Creek	5	12		12		12		40	
Baptist Chapel	E A Eller, Grassy Creek	Edwin Blevins, Helton	7		11	7	8	9		42	
Beaver Creek	J O Goodman, Beaver Creek	Hayden Goodman, B.Creek	4		8	9	12	7		40	
Bethel	T H Brown, Oval	J A Johnston, Oval	5		8	10	14	8		45	
Big Flats	R C Parsons, Todd	Mrs J F Houck, Fleetwood	8	8	12	15	29	12		80	7
Buffalo	J F Hodgson, Beaver Creek	Myrtle Campbell, B. Creek	5	10	15	20	14	11		75	10
Friendship	David Burkett, Jefferson	Jessie Walters, Jefferson	6		8	10	10	11		45	
Healing Sp'gs.	J W Huffman, Weavers Ford	Winnie Jones, Crumpler	7		28	18	30	28		111	
Jefferson	James Haire, Jefferson	Margaret Gentry, Jefferson	5	3	5	5	8	10		36	2
Landmark	W H Barker, Grassy Creek	Lucy Blackburn, . . .	6	6	11	18	23	29		93	
Laurel Knob	F N Stevens, Todd, N.C.	R A Stevens, Todd	6		10	15	18	17		66	
Liberty Grove	J P Howell, Riverside	Chas E Howell, Riverside	6	8	18	20	19	20		91	
Little Helton	Chas Hurley, Grassy Creek	G W Eller, Grassy Creek	6	10	16	8	20	20		80	
Long Branch	E Z Sexton. Edison	J G Welch, Lansing	6	11	15	12	20	36		110	
Meadow View	Mrs Laura Spencer, . . .	Zetta Barker, Grassy Creek	6	4	10	12		10		48	
Mission Home	J C Green, Fleetwood	Wade Vannoy, Fleetwood	7	15	10	12	18	45		107	
New River	S P Hale, Mouth of Wilson, Va	Ada Blackburn, Grassy Creek	7	30	16		26	36		116	3
Obids	D H Burgess, Obids	Gladys Brown, Obids	6							72	
Old Fields	J E Cheek, Idlewild	Odell Baker, Idlewild	6							78	

Orion	E D Coldiron, Orion	Jessie Bare, Orion	6	6	8	10	8	6	6	50
Peak Valley	Joe Tyree, Creston	W H Tyree, Creston	7	10	10	10	14	16		67
Phœnix	E C Eller, Bina	Lillian Barr, ...	11	5	12	11	16	22		77
Pilot Mountain		C Tucker, Brownwood								64
Pleasant Home	W R Lovelace, Grassy Creek	Malessa Watson, Grassy Cr'k	6	14			18	13		45
Tuckerdale	W H Darnall, Tuckerdale	Walter Graham, Tuckerdale	7	8	10	18	20	15		78
West Jefferson	W C Johnston, West Jefferson	Lucile Gambill, W. Jefferson	10	20	25	10	30	20	8	123

West Jefferson School is graded and has 16 in the Cradle Roll.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Received of Finance Committee:		
Minute Fund, - - -	$ 70.70	
Orphanage - - - -	17.40	
75-Million Campaign - -	71.93	
Paid to F. B. Hamrick - -		$ 17.40
" Walters Durham -		71.93
" Printing Minutes - -		53.60
	$160.03	$142.93
Balance, $17.10		

Table V.— Baptist Young People's Union

Church	President and Post office	No. Unions	No. Members	A-1 Unions	No in Study Course	No. of Bible Readers
Apple Grove	S. N. Houck, Husk, N. C.	1	24	—	—	21
W. Jefferson	Julian S. Hopkins, W. Jefferson	1	32	1	20	32

Printer's Note:—

At the time the order to print these Minutes was received, we were overrun with orders for minute work which of course had to be done according to turn, and just after beginning this job we had a case of protracted sickness in my family, ending in a death, which conditions stopped the office work, otherwise these minutes would have been out long before this. Please excuse the delay.

1886
Minute
OF THE
39th Annual Session
OF THE
Ashe Missionary Baptist Association
HELD WITH
WEST JEFFERSON BAPTIST CHURCH
August 28th and 29th, 1925.

Prof. J. C. Goodman. - - - - - - Moderator
J. G. Welch, - - - - - - Clerk and Treasurer

Next annual session will be held with Orion Missionary Baptist Church, 4½ miles Southeast of Jefferson, on Friday and Saturday, August 27th and 28th, 1926.

The Introductory Sermon to be preached by Rev. J. A. Brendell; Alternate, W. E. Denny.

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This minute is presented to Wake Forest Baptist college, by Mrs Nannie Tucker, a charter Member of the Tuckerdale Baptist church in the Ashe association, Tuckerdale, N. C.

Directors of The Ashe Baptist Association

Prof. J. C. Goodman, Moderator,	Beaver Creek, N. C.
James Eller, Vice President,	Bina, N. C.
J. G. Welch, Clerk and Treasurer,	Lansing, N. C.

Executive Committee

C. W. Phillips. Chairman	Beaver Creek, N. C.
J. C. Green, Secretary	Fleetwood, N. C.
W. T. Harless,	Beaver Creek, N. C.
J. W. Barr,	Bina, N. C.
J. F. Dillard,	Orion, N. C.

Member State Mission Board

S. C. Blackburn	West Jefferson, N. C.

Resident Pastors

Barker, W. F.	Grassy Creek, N. C.
Blackburn, S. C.	West Jefferson, "
Blackburn, M. D.	Grassy Creek, "
Blevins, Ezekiel	" " "
Burkett, R. M.	Jefferson, "
Brendell, J. A.	Todd, "
Denney, W. E.	Silas Creek, "
Denney, G. L.	Grassy Creek, "
Eldreth, G. B.	Trout, "
Howell, Lee	Whitetop, Va.
Sexton, J. D.	Edison, N. C.
Spencer, J. O.	Grassy Creek, "
Trivett, J. R.	Toliver, "

Non Resident Pastors

Carlton, Finley	Purlear, N. C.
Michael, W. H.	Trade, Tenn.
Pennington, G. M.	Konnarock, Va.
Watts, F. C.	Purlear, N. C.
Winkler, W. M.	Wilkesboro, "
Wilson, L. A.	Boone, "

Ordained Ministers Not Pastors

Blevins, J. C.	Grassy Creek, N. C.
Carlton, W. R.	Baldwin, Md
Cope, C. M.	Ore Knob, N. C.
Davis, John A.	Grassy Creek, "
Eller, E. A.	" " "

Ordained Ministers Not Pastors (Continued)

Grubb, T. W.	Todd, N. C.
Goodman, C. F.	" "
Haire, P. H.	Fleetwood, "
Hodgson, J. F.	Beaver Creek, "
Hamby, J. M.	Bina, "
Hayes, T. M.	Nathans Creek, "
Hurley, W. L.	Grassy Creek, "
Hopkins, J. S.	West Jefferson, "
Howell, J. G.	Jefferson, "
Miller, Ed O.	Reno, "
Neaves, J. M.	Crumpler, "
Ray, D. O.	Miles City, Mont.
Stanley, J. F.	Hemlock, N. C.
Trivett, J. S.	Fleetwood, "
Trivett, Rosco	Creston, "
Wilcox, Joseph	Summit, "

Order of Business

FIRST DAY, 10 A. M.

1. Introductory Sermon.
2. Election of Officers.
3. Roll Call of Churches.
4. Reception of Churches.
5. Appointment of Committees.
6. Announcements of homes for Messengers and Visitors.
7. Adjournment.

FIRST DAY 2 P. M.

1. Invitation to Visitors.
2. Reading Abstracts of Principles and Rules of Order.
3. Motions and Resolutions
4. Report on Religious Exercise
5. Report on Biblical Recorder.
6. Collection for deaf and dumb boy.
7. Report on Christian Education.
8. Announcement of Ladies Society.
9. Sermon by Rev. J. A. Brendell.
10. Adjournment.

SECOND DAY 9 A. M.

1. Devotional Exercises.
2. Reading of Minutes of Previous Day.

Order of Business, (Continued)

3. Call for letters of absentee churches.
4. Report on Baptist Hospital.
5. Report on State Missions.
6. Report on Home Missions.
7. Report on Foreign Missions.
8. Roll Call of churches to see what they would do for Co-operative Program.
9. Adjournment.

SECOND DAY, 1:30 P. M.

1. Devotional Exercises.
2. Report on Orphanages.
3. Report on Sunday Schools.
4. Report on Temperance.
5. Report on Digest of Church Letters.
6. Report of Finauce Committee.
7. Report on Motions and Resolutions.
8. Report on Place and Preacher.
9. Adjournment.

Churches and Delegates

Apple Grove—H. A. Miller, N. S. Howell, Gertrude Little.
Ball Mountain—W. L. Houck, C. W. Campbell, W. M. Hopkins.
Baptist Chapel—
Beaver Creek—J. O. Goodman, W. F. Goodman.
Bethel—C. W. Phillips, J. P. Goodman, R. Watson.
Big Flats—R. A. Goodman, R. C. Parsons, Frank Houck.
Bristol—W. A. Wallace, Dellos Dickson, Emmet Bullins.
Buffalo—Hilt Campbell, Spencer Freisland, W. A. Campbell.
Clifton—K L. Eller, W. T. Miller.
Frindship—T. K Luther, W. R. Weaver, Foster Brown.
Glendale Springs—J. D. Wingler, W. C. Beshears, Chas. Harless
Healing Springs—J. R. Ham, I. N. Hudler, W. H. Wiles
Jefferson—Ira T. Johnston, R. F. Gentry, B. D. Barr.
Land Mark—J. C. Denney, J. C. Jones, James Hurley.
Laurel Knob—Lawson Edwards, J. F Pearsons.
Liberty Grove—Chas. E. Howell, J. W, Greene, J. L. Miller.
Little Helton—John Ball, C. L. Gambill, Chas. Hurley.
Long Branch—J. G. Welch, J. D. Sexton, Lucy Welch.
Meadow View—W A. Reedy, I. P Barker, H. H. Gaultney.

Churches and Delegates (Continued)

Mission Home—J. F. Blackburn, J. C. Green, Sarah Greene.
Mountain View—
New River—Wiley Taylor, Walter Taylor, G. C. Shepherd.
Obids—D. H Burgess, Heg Parsons, D. C. Severt.
Old Field—Dick Phillips and Wife, L. D. Blackburn.
Orion—Clint Lambert, E. D. Coldiron, Calvin Green.
Peak Valley—W. W. Eggers, D. C. Michael.
Phoenix—E. C. Eller, J. W. Barr, J. W. King.
Pilot Mountain—C. Tucker, L. C. Phillips.
Pleasant Home—C. N. Deboard, G. W. Eller, E. A. Eller.
Tuckerdale—David Brooks, Jesse L. Powers, Nannie Tucker.
West Jefferson—H. C. Tucker, J. C. Gambill, G. B. Doggett.
Baptist Home—L. J. Sturgill.
Liberty Hill—Edgar Dixon, H. L. Goodman, J. H. Wagoner.
Valley Home—W. R. Miller, J. M. Toliver.

Standing Committees

State Missions	Rev. S. C. Blackburn
Home Missions	Ira T. Johnston
Foreign Missions	B. H. Duncan
Sunday Schools	Rev. J. O. Spencer
Biblical Recorder	J. O. Goodman
Orphanage	P. H. Haire
Hospital	Rev. J. D. Sexton
Christian Education	Rev. J. S. Hopkins
Digest of Church Letter	D. C. Severt, J. H. Wagoner, W. C. Johnston
Obituaries	R. F Gentry

Constitution

Article 1. This body shall be called the Ashe Association.

2. The object of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the gospel in our bounds, and in all the world, and in this work the Association will co-operate with the Baptist Convention of North Carolina.

3. The members of this body shall be all the ordained ministers of the churches of this Association, and three delegates from each church, who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment and giving statistics of the membership and work of the church.

4. At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, in such a way as the Association may direct The last two offices may be held by the same brother.

5. The Moderator shall preside at all meetings, preserve order, appoint committees, and perform such duties as are required of presiding officers.

6. The Clerk shall keep a correct record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing and distribution to the churches, the proceedings of the body.

7. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent to the Association, to pay them out as the Association may direct, and make a report at each annual session.

8. The Association shall hold an annual meeting at such time and place as may be agreed upon.

9. At each annual meeting there shall be appointed an executive committee of five brethren who shall look after the destitution in the bounds of this Association, and co-operate with the State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention, making to the next session a report of the work done and all the general State Mission work.

10. The Association shall convene annually on the last Friday in August. At each annual session there shall be appointed committees to make reports to the ensuing session, on the following subjects to-wit: State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions Pastoral Support, Ministerial Education, Baptist Orphanage, Biblical Recorder Temperance, Digest of Church Letters, Finance Place and Preacher for next Association, and Baptist Hospital.

11. Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

12. In addition to the introductory sermon, the committee on religious exercises shall arrange at least one other sermon each day the Association is in session and all business shall be suspended while the sermon is being delivered; but no sermon shall be scheduled while the Association is engaged in a business session.

13. The Association will not retain in permanent fellowship

any church that retains in its fellowship any member who is disorderly in doctrine or practice, or who makes, sells, or in any way deals in ardent spirits as a beverage.

14. This Constitution may be amended by a vote of two thirds of the members present at any annual session.

Abstract of Principles

1. We believe in only one true and living God, and that there are three persons in the God–head, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, and that these three are one.

2. We believe that the Bible, the New and old Testaments, is the Word of God and the only rule of faith and practice.

3. We believe in the impotency of man and the sovereignty of God.

4. We believe that salvation is by Grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ to be practiced only by believers in their spiritual order.

6. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator, and that those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and doctrine, should take the Lord's Supper.

7 We believe in the final perseverance of the saints in grace to glory.

8. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment.

9. We believe that the existence of the righteous and the wicked will both be of eternal duration, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

Rules of Order

1. Every session shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. When the Moderator calls the house to order, every member shall at once take his seat.

3. When a member wishes to speak he shall rise and address the Moderator, and not proceed till he is recognized.

4. No member shall speak more than twice on any subject ex-

cept by permisson of the body.

5. No member shall leave the body during the session without permission of the Moderator.

6. It will be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold private conversation while any person is speaking.

P-R-O-C-E-E-D-I-N-G-S

West Jefferson, N. C.
Friday, Aug. 28th, 1925.

The Ashe Baptist Association met in its 39th Annual session with the West Jefferson Baptist Church.

The introductory sermon was delivered by Rev. Coy S. Blackburn, Text, Acts, 2. 42. "And they continued steadfastly in the apostles doctrin and fellowship and in breaking of bread and in prayer."

2. Election of officers, on motion moved to elect Moderator and Clerk by private ballot. Prof. J. C. Goodman elected Moderator, J. G. Welch, Clerk and Treasurer.

3. An amendment to the numbered Article 12 in the constitution was offered by I. T. Johnston and on motion was adopted. Numbers 12 and 13 in old minutes will read 13 and 14.

4. Roll call of churches, 28 church letters handed in.

5. Call for new churches. None responded.

6. E. C. Eller of Bina, and J. F. Dillard of Orion were appointed committee on Religious Exercises.

7. The Moderator appointed T. K. Luther, Charley Howell and Walter Phillips as Finance Committee.

8. Walter Houck, Wiley Harless and H. H. Gaultney were appointed Committee on Temperance.

9. Three churches asked for the association. The delegates from these churches together with the delegates from West Jefferson church were appointed to select place and preacher for the next annual session of the Association.

10. Committee appointed on Pastoral Support, G. L. Trivett, Wiley Taylor and J. P. Howell.

11. On motion of the body the Old Executive Committee w retained for another year.

12. Homes for delegates and visitors were assigned.

13. On motion adjourned till 1:45 P. M. Prayer by Rev. J. R. Shoemate.

Friday Afternoon Session, 1:45 P. M.

1. The afternoon session was opened by singing, followed by prayer.

2. The invitation to visitors was extended and the following were seated with Association: Hon. and Mrs. R. L. Doughton and N. C. Teague of Alleghany Association; Rev. J. R. Shoemate of New River Association: M. A. Huggins, Secretary of Educational Board, Raleigh, N. C. Rev. and Mrs. K. D. Stukenbroke-

3. Abstract of Principles and Rules of Order were read.

4. W. C. Johnston, J. W. Duncan and Ira T. Johnston were chosen as committee on Resolutions.

5. Committee on Religious Exercises report preaching at the stand by Rev. J. A. Brendell 3:15 to 4:00 P. M. Preaching at 8 P. M by Rev. J. R. Shoemate. Devotional Exercises by Rev. W E. Denny Saturday morning.

6. Report on Biblical Recorder submitted by J. S. Hopkins as written by I. T. Johnston of last year, and discussed by M. A. Huggins and others.

REPORT ON BIBLICAL RECORDER

This is an age of information. People are reading more than ever before in the history of the world. This is especially true in Ashe County and Northwest North Carolina. Daily motor mail service has meant a daily paper in hundreds of homes west of the Blue Ridge on the day of publication. Our people have had their horizon widened and the gateways to the outside world opened as never before. All this is well. Ashe County Baptists welcome the new era and pray for greater progress.

However, every progressive moment in other realms of thought and action and material development within our borders imposes new obligations upon us who uphold the banner of the Baptist Church and of King Immanuel. If our growth is mental, moral and spiritual as well as physical, our information and reading must be of the right sort, and unless we desire a lop-sided development, we certainly must not neglect reading religious literature. First of all, we should dust off our family Bibles and commune with the master minds who, we believe held communion

as they wrote with the Divine. Next, we should plan for ourselves and our children to receive reading matters as vairied as we wish our lives to be; and our denominational paper will assuredly have a place in any well chosen list.

Baptist in North Carolina are practicularly fortunate in having the Biblical Recorder, a publication that in arrangement and subject matter compares favorably with the secular and religious papers of the country. It has departments which are of interest to every member of the family. Its readers are informed by its pages of the activities of the denomination as they can be in no other way.

What would you think of a physician who has no medical books in his library and does not read any of the new developments in realm of medical science? What would you think of a lawyer who has no law books and court reports in his library and who has no method of keeping up with happenings in the legal world? What would you think of a christian who is ignorant of the great text-book of the christian, the Bible?

And what would you think of a Baptist who for the pittance of $2.00 per year debars himself and his family of the wealth of information and inspiration to be found in a state denominational paper, the Biblical Recorder? Let's give it 100 % subscription list in Ashe Association. It will help the paper, and it will help the Baptist cause in Ashe County immeasurably more.

J. S. Hopkins. Com.

7. Subscriptions to the Recorder were solicited, 24 subscribing.

8. A collection was made for Spencer Howell, a deaf and dumb boy for the purpose of sending him to school. Amt. collected $50.36, followed by a prayer of thanks by Rev. S. C. Black burn.

9. Report on Christain Education was delivered by Rev. W. E. Denny, followed by a thrilling discussion. Several took part the same, among them were Rev. W. E. Denny, and M. A. Huggins, Secretary of Educational Board, Raleigh N. C.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Christian Education is the developing of the mind spiritual and bringing into active display, that knowledge that has been acquired by the training of others; therefore the result of future

activities of our people in Kingdom work depends greatly on how they are taught, and what they are taught.

Our churches should take a very active part in the training of our young people, as well as the older membership of our churches who do not understand.

People who do things have active trained minds and remember facts. They are trained to put their thoughts together and develop ideas.

The great need of the day is a better trained church membership in Kingdom work; therefore we beg to submit the following.

1 Home training. Are we as fathers and mothers neglecting our children in this respect? Remember their future usefulness depends greatly on their home training. Just a reminder lest we forget.

2. That we become more interested in Sunday school work because the Sunday school is the best place to impress upon the minds of our young people the great questions of missions.

3. That each church has during the year a school on the stewardship of Missions. Study books can be had from the Sunday School Board. We think this will help to solve the mission question that now exists in some of our churches.

4. Our Denominational schools can only more fully develop that knowledge that has been acquired by our young people in the home, the Sunday School, and church life.

We highly recommend our Denominational Schools to all that can attend them.

It is very needful that our churches take a more active part in training of our young people. Let us not so carelessly neglect them, because they are the Lords heritage and he needs them in the Kingdom work.

Respectfully submitted.

W. E. Denny, Com.

. Announced Ladies Society to meet at Dormitory tomorrow at 1:30 P. M.

11. Sermon by Rev. J. A. Brendell at 3:45 P, M. Text Mathew 12, 12, "How much then is a man better than a sheep". Prayer by Rev. S. C. Blackburn.

12. On motion adjourned to meet for devotional exercises Saturday morning at 9 A. M. Sermon by Rev. J. R. Shoemate at 8 P. M., text Mathew 3, 10.

Saturday Morning Session

1. The association met according to adjournment, spent one half hour in devotional exercises conducted by Rev. W. E. Denny.

2. Upon call of letters from churches absent during Friday session, Clifton and Old Fields handed in letters, also Bro. Jack Sturgill represented Baptist Home.

3. Committee on religious exercises report Rev. Ezekiel Blevins to preach at 11 A. M.

4. Report on Baptist Hospital at Winston Salem by Rev. J. A. Brendell.

Baptist Hospital

The North Carolina Baptist Hospital is located at Winston Salem. It is owned and controlled by the Baptist of North Carolina.

This institution is modern in every respect and is doing a wonderful work. There are forty physicians who are equal to the best in the South. For the first 23 months, they served about 3000 patients 350 of whom were charity patients. The valuation of the plant is estimated at $298,000 and can serve 4000 patients a year.

The death rate is only 12 to the thousand, many of the physicians are specialists in their professions, while a great deal of charity work is being done, we should bear in mind that all of these are cared for at the expense of somebody.

Mother's Day was used for "Hospital Day" and a substantial offering was made for the benifit of the Hospital. We recmmend that all of our sick and suffering be carried to this institution if possible, and that all of our people see to it that this worthy institution never suffer for lack of their support. They teach their nurces that all must be done for Christ's sake and the sick must be the center of their thoughts, prayer and care. Charity patients and all others are treated alike, the nurses know no difference in their patients.

We request that prayer be made daily for this institution.

Respectfully submitted,

G. C. Shepherd }
J. A. Brendell } Committee.

4. Report on St te Missions by Rev. J. O. Spencer.

STATE MISSIONS

95 Years ago the Baptist State Mission Board of North Car-

olina was organized. Since that time much good has been accomplished, through the agency of the Board, many weak churches have been strengthened. We are grieved to have to report at this time a debt on the Board of approximately $80,000. We will be compelled to make retrenchments along the lines unless we can find some way to relieve the Board of some of the debt.

In view of the progress being made by North Carolina along all lines, it would be nothing short of a calamity for us to retrench at this time. The watchword ought to be "ENLARGEMENT" instead of "RETRENCHMENT".

Therefore in view of the fact that the State Mission Board during all the years of the convention's life has been the pioneer and burden bearer for all phases of our work. We would earnestly urge that all the churches in this association pray and give unceasingly, until this debt is lifted from our State Mission Board. Therefore we would ask all our churches to observe September 7th, as state mission day, or at least some time before January 1st, make an offering to state missions.

May the blessings of God be richly upon the Board and our beloved Secretary.

Submitted, J. O Spencer, Com.

5. Report on home missions called for, no report being prepared it was agreed to use report of last year.

HOME MISSIONS

We are deeply concerned about all the phases of our mission work; Foreign, Home and State, but it seems that there some who are unwilling to join heartily in Mission work. There are those who are opposed to any form of missions, but the host of God-fearing and liberty-loving Baptists are marching on toZion through our Mission Board .

Home Missions embrace work for the Master in the Southland. Our board at Atlanta, Georgia, is the agency through which our Baptist forces combine their resources and their energies to make desert places to garden into veritable gardens of the Lord in the countryside and the growing towns and cities in the newer sections of our country. The activities are so many that we can only write briefly of each.

Co-operative Missions—This is one of our five departments. In co-operation with mission work in each state we are able to do effective work. The sum of about $175,000 is used in this work.

Evangelism and Enlistment—Results in this two years ago justified their consideration, there are 80 workers. During the past year we spent $150,000. From the field 15,000 conversions are reported.

Foreigners and Negroes—In this department we had 95 workers with an expenditure over $100,000. These classes of people are a menac to our civilization. Our only remedy is to give them the gospel.

Mountain Schools—The number is 51. We have 500 pupils taught by 235 teachers. The board pays $55,000 to defray a part of the expences. For improvement we have spent over $100,000 The income is approximately $200,000. The total valuation of property is $1,500,000. The schools are fulfilling an important mission. We have 290 ministers, besides the many boys and girls who have received their first vision of a higher life.

In Cuba and Panama—Among the people in these two places we have a great work started with 80 workers at an expense of $75,000

Soldiers, Seamen and Marines—With an appropriation of $25 000 and 15 workers we are supplying a need.

Church extension—This field has a large opportunity for usefulnèss. We gave aid to 100 churches with an income of $190,000

Southern Baptist Sanitorium—Our Board used $40,000 on this institution. We have a place where our people may go for treatment and have suitable environment.

Let our brethern and their churches share in this great work that is on among our Southern Baptist.

Respectfully submitted.

B. H. Duncan, Com.

6. The report on Foreign Missons was delivered by Ira T. Johnston. The reports on Missons and the co-operative program was discussed by Ira T. Johnston and M. A. Huggins, encouraging every church to do their part in spreading the gospel by the use of their money and effort to spread the gospel in Foreign Fields

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

There are many statistics that might be submitted showing the great work of our Foreign Mission Board; its indebtedness and need; its expansion under the increased contributions made since the inauguration of the Seventy Five Million Campaign; the heroic and sacrificial labors and accomplishments of missionaries on the Foreign fields; the results of teaching and preaching on all the continents of the earth. Some of these would thrill; rs

would make us tremble a the responsibility resting upon us; and some might make us ashamed of how little we have done in God's great harvest field, the world. The statistics are available to all who read the denominational periodicals, and that means every well-informed Baptist. Find out the facts, brethren and act with open eyes and open hearts.

TABLE I

CHURCH	PASTOR AND POSTOFFICE	CLERK AND POSTOFFICE
Apple Grove	W F Barker, Grassy C.	H A Miller, Whitetop, Va
Baptist Chapel	Not Represented	
Baptist Home	H M Winkles, Wilkesboro	L J Sturgill, Parker
Ball Mountain	S C Blackburn W Jefferso	Clyde Campbell, Beaver C
Beaver Creek	S C Blackburn, W Jeffrson	J O Goodman, Beaver C.
Bethel	James Sexton, Edison	C W Philips, W Jefferson
Big Flats	J A Brendell, Todd	R A Goodman, Fleetwood
Big Laurel	Not Represented	
Bristol	G L Denney, Grass Creek	W A Wallace, Jefferson
Buffalo	S C Blackburn, W Jeffrsou	B S Harless, Beaver C.
Clifton	R M Burkett, Jefferson	W T Miller, Clifton
Forest Home	Not Represented	
Friendship	W E Denny Grassy Creek	E F Marsh, Jefferson
Healing Springs	J O Spencer, Grassy C.	G R Ham, Crumpler
Glendale Springs	R M Burkett, Jefferson	W C Beshears, Reno
Jefferson	S C Blackburn W Jeffrson	Ira T Johnston, Jefferson
Land Mark	J D Sexton Edison	Thos. A Jones, Grassy C
Laurel Knob	W H Michael Trade Tenn	J F Pearson, Todd
Liberty Grove	J A Brendell, Todd	L N Keller, Garren
Liberty Hill	No Pastor	J H Wagoner, Nathans C
Little Helton	M D Blackburn Grassy C	John Ball, Grassy Creek
Long Branch	Ezekiel Blevins Grassy C	J G Welch, Lansing
Meadow View	No Pastor	C C Barker, Grassy C
Mission Home	J A Brendell. Todd	J F Blackburn Fleetwood
Mountain View	Not Represented	
New River	J O Spencer, Grassy C.	R W Blackburn, Grassy C
Obids	R M Burkett, Jefferson	H M Brown, Obids
Old Fields	Finley Carlton, Purlear	L D Blackburn, Idlewild
Orion	R M Burkett, Jefferson	J F Dillard, Orion
Peak Valley	W H Michael Trade Tenn	Mrs J E Tree, Creston
Phoenix	W E Denny, Silas Creek	Gertrude Waddell, Bina
Pilot Mountain	J R Trivett, Toliver	C Tucker, Brownwood
Pleasant Hill	Not Represented	
Pleasant Home	W E Denny, Grassy C,	L P Phillips, Grassy C.
Tuckerdale	James Sexton, Edison	E L Tucker,
Valley Home	L A Wilson, Boone,	D R Jones, Toliver
West Jefferson	S C Blackburn W Jeffrson	W C Johnston W Jeffrson
Zion Hill	Not Represented	Total

We seem to have in this country today a public sentiment that threatens and menaces Foreign Missions. As a result of reaction and back-wash from the Great War, America is standing aloof from the other nations of the world, glorying in her isolation as she once gloried in her unselfish participation in world affairs There is strong feeling, in many instances amounting to hatred,

STATISTICAL

Baptisms	Letters	Statements	Restorations	Letters	Exclusions	Deaths	Total Members	Reg. Meeting Days	Village, Town City	When Constituted	Revivals During Yr.	Fam Take Bap Paper	Material Used	Persons Seated	Number Rooms	Value of Church House and Grounds	Value Pastor's, Home	Total Value of Church Property
				3			39	2	C				W			700		700
14		6				2	55	3		1890	1	1	...	200		300		300
8	2						88	2		1910	1	1	...	300	1	1200		1200
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4			1	1	2	2	74	2		1905	2	2	...	200	1	1200		1000
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2			3				14	2		1923	2	1	...	300	1	1000		1000
2			1	1			104	3		1880	1		...	400	1	800		800
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	2		1	5		2	153	4	C	1856	1	3		400	1	2500		2500
9	1			2		1	94	1		1912	1	3	...	200	1	1000		1000
3	1				3	1	67	3		1915	1	2	...	300	1	4500		4500
2	3		1	2		1	63	1		1907	1	2	...	300	1	450		450
	2	10		2			30	3		1923	1	3	...	400	1	1500		1500
2					1	15	44	3		1889	1	3	...	300	1	1500		1500
					2		38	4					..		1			
7				2	6		108	1					...	300	1	600	3000	3600
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14	1	2		2	1	4	164	3		1889	1		..	500	1	1200		1200
4				3		1	60	4		1892	1			300	1	1500		1500
				4		3	155	1		1803			...	300	1	1700		1700
10						1	71	1		1911	1	3	...		1	2000		2000
2	6						59	3		1892	1		...	300	1	600		600
4						1	93	2	V	1908	1		..	400	1	1000		1000
2	3		1	1		1	59	3	C		1	1		200	1	400		400
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7	5		1	3	1		97	1		1870	1		...	250	1	2000		2000
12	5						44	2	V		1		..	250	1	1500		1500
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44	52	20	9	39	36	26	2426				30	47		8250	29	40555	3000	43550

against the foreigner. I should like to warn our Baptist people against a mistsken patriotism that apparently is degenerating in to a national selfishness in no sense akin to the spirit of Him who died for all the races and people of the world. We should be careful that catchy slogans such as "America First" should not blind us to our duty under the Great Commission.

It was a hated and despised Samaritan that Christ took as his great example to teach the meaning of the commandment, "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself". He dared to set up a new standard in narrow, prejudiced, patriotic, 100 per cent, Judaistic Palestine. His countrymen rejected it, but all who follow Him must make that standard theirs. We can not limit the commandment with lines of race or nation or creed, All the people of the earth are our neighbors. We are definitely commanded to love them, to serve their needs and to carry the gospel to them, to baptize them and to teach them "to observe all things whatsoever

TABLE--B. Y. P. U.

Church	President and Postoffice	Total Unions	Total Enrolled	Bible Readers	Study Course	Total Givers
Orion	Miss Annie Miller, Orion	1				
Phoenix	Miss Lillie Barr, Bina	1	30			
W. Jefferson	Jessie Gambill, W Jefferson	1	22	22	20	22
	Total,	3	52	22	20	22

TABLE--W. M. U.

Church	President and Leaders	No. Societies	No. Sunbeams	Total Enrolled	Gifts to Local church work.	Gifts to Missions,
Buffalo	Viola Porer, Smethport	1		10		11.80
Landmark	Bernice Porter, Grassy C.	1		18	3.00	3.00
Mission Hom	Sarah Greene	1		12	40.00	24.33
New River	Mrs Jno Deboard, Grassy C.	1				
W. Jefferson	Mrs Hal Doggett, W Jeff.	2	20		93.93	91.68
	Mrs S C Blackburn, W Jeff.					
	Total	6	20	40	13693	13081

I have commanded you".

We can not merit the appellation that we point to in pride as distinguishing our church from those whose vision is not wide as the world, Missionary Baptist, unless we actually believe in Foreign Missions and show that we believe in Foreign Missions by liberal giving to the work of the Foreign Mission Board. We can best do this by definite pledges and gifts to the co-operative program. Not words but deeds, not wishes but dollars, will carry the gospel into all the world and bring in the kingdom of our Lord and his Christ.

Respectfully Submitted.

Ira T. Johnston,

Committee.

SUPPLEMENT TO REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

Paid for Foreign Missions in N. C. last year	$167,000,00
Debt on Foreign Mission Board	$1,250,792,45
Received from 75 Million Campaign	10,740,495,10
Expected from 75 Million Campaign	20,000,000,00

52.4% received.

59,248 Baptisms on Foreign field in five years.

706 new churches established.

930 S. S. S. established.

In Ashe county, last year, 1923-24.

Designated for Foreign Missions	$16,35
Foreign Missions share of 75 Million fund.	ap. $130.00

7. On motion all the foregoing reports were adopted.

10. The roll of churches was called to see what they would do for the co-operative program

Ball Mountain	$100.	Phoneix	50.
Beaver Creek	75.	Pilot Mountain	10.
Bethel	25.	Pleasant Home	25.
Big Flats	75.	Tucker Dale	35.
Buffalo	100.	Valley Home	25.
Friendship	25.	West Jefferson	500.
Healing Springs	50.	Undivided Pledges	
Jefferson	50.	L. J. Sturgill	1.
Land Mark	50	K. L. Eller	10.
Liberty Grove	50	W. A. Jonston	1.
Long Branch	25.	I. T. Johnston	10.

Mission Home	100.	W. W. Agers	10.
New River	100.	Mrs. F. B. Tucker	5.
Orion	100.		.....
Liberty Hill	25.	Total	1567.

The following pastors and preachers were present agreeing to do all they could toward securing the amount subscribed to the co operative program.

William Hurley, W E. Denney, W. F. Barker, J. D. Sexton S. C. Blackburn, Ezekiel Blevins, G. L. Denney, P. H. Haire, J. O. Spencer and J. S. Hopkins. Prayer by Rev. K. D. Stukenbroke followed by a speech by him.

11. By agreement preaching was postponed on account of time

12. On motion adjourned till 1:30 P, M. Prayer by K. D. Stukenbroke.

Saturday Afternoon Session

1. The association met according to adjournment, singing by the quire, prayer by J. O. Belton, Surry Association.

2. Report on orphanage by B. H. Duncan, submitted. Report discussed by B. H. Duncan and K. D. Stukenbroke who urges a once a month offering by the Sunday school. And Prof. Nye of West Jefferson High School on culture and training of children. On motion report adopted.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE

Our Orphan's home at Thomasville, N. C. and Kennedy Home near Kinston, N. C. are supported by the Baptist of North Carolina, we need only to know the needs and the worth of this institution to give to its support freely. It accomodates about 650 children who are dependent to a great extent upon the Baptist of North Carolina for their support.

The cost for each child for a year is approximately $250 or $21 per month.

The demand of the Orphan's Home is greater than its equipment and resources can supply, as its needs are increasing yearly shall we Baptists of Ashe County not do more active giving than ever before for our Orphanage in order that some worthy child may not be denied the great life that God has enowed it with?

The various churches with their great wealth and abundance should give more freely of what the Lord has blessed them with to relieve the wants of these orphans that have been left in our care.

We insist, therefore, that our Pastors, Sunday School Superintendents and Teachers impress upon the minds of their congregations rnd classes their duty toward this great object of charity.

Respectfull Submitted,

B. H. Duncan, }
H. C. Tucker } Com.

3. Report on Sunday School not ready all agreed to use report of last year with such changes as the clerk may see fit.

Sunday Schools

Report of Last Year

Without criticizing the former excellent reports on Sunday schools, or by inference reflecting upon them, your committee has decided to take another tack, and instead of adding to the words of wisdom emphasizing the value of the Sunday-school to the church which grace the old minutes, give some figures that to our minds speak louder than any words of ours can speak. These figures are taken from our last minutes.

The expenses of all the Sunday-schools in Ashe County as reported last year amounted to $215.25 annually. That is th members of Baptist Churches in Ashe County contribute about ten cents per member ty the Sunday school work.

Ten of our thirty eight Baptist Churches reported no Sunday school whatever, a twenty five per cent deficiency.

Out of our 2526 members of Baptist Churches in Ashe County only 650 were reported enrolled in Sunday-schools; and this 650 is the number that is enrolled in Sunday school, which of course includes more than can be counted as regular attendants. About one in four of the white population of North Carolina is enrolled in all the Sunday-schools of the state. Ashe County Baptists make a worse showing than this sorry proportion, as less than one in four of our own church members are enrolled in our Sunday schools.

The average number of teachers reported for Sunday schools of the county is three.

About six Sunday schools in the county report that they are open all the year.

Between the lines of these figures, your committee reads: That there are too few classes, that little effort has been made to grade the Sunday schools, and that practically no equipement for teaching, except a small amount of literature, is provided. That the

TABLE II

CHURCH	TREASURER AND POSTOFFICE	Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help	Building Repaires	Incidentals	Sunday School and B Y P U Expeuses
Apple Grove	H A Miller, Whitetop, Va.	15,00					4.00
Baptist Chapel							
Baptist Home	L J Sturgill, Parker	72,00		5200	400		
Ball Mountain	W L Houck, Beaver Creek	219.25		4200	2000	8.00	13.00
Beaver Creek	J O Goodman, Beaver Creek	18.00					3.08
Bethel	C W Phillips, W. Jefferson	40.00					4.83
Big Flats	F L Houck, Fleetwood	151.88		3066		20.55	14.74
Big Laurel							
Bristol	W A Wallace, Jefferson	50.00		1015	3200		
Buffalo	Myrtle Campbell, Beaver C.	202.10	1200	4946			
Clifton	W T Miller, Clifton	35.00					
Forest Home							
Friendship	E F Marsh, Jefferson	63.00		1730			5,00
Glendale Springs	W C Beshears, Reno	17,10		1750		.40	
Healing Springs	G R Ham, Crumpler	125.00		2700			10.68
Jefferson	R F Gentry, Jefferson	136.75	2400			5.00	15.00
Land Mark	Thomas A Jones, Grass C.	93.50			3000	5.00	2.92
Laurel Knob	F N Stephens, Todd,	52.90		3580		3.60	5.77
Liberty Grove	Chas E Howell, T dd	250.00				4.50	12.06
Liberty Hill	J H Wagoner, Nathans C.			5708	700	3.45	
Little Helton	Chas Hurley, Grassy Creek	88.56					14.00
Long Branch	J G Welch, Lansing	46.62					
Meadow View	C C Barker, Grassy Creek	50.00					10.00
Mission Home	J C Green, Fleetwood	250.00					
Mountain View							
New River	R W Blackburn, Grassy C.	130,00					6.49
Obids	D H Burguess, Obids	58.62		2000			
Old Fields	L D Blackburn, Idlewild	74.84		3500			6.63
Orion	W J Bare, Orion	56.50			1400		5.20
Peak Valley	W H Tyree, Creston	36.15					13.28
Phoenix	Mrs Gertrude Waddell, Bina	102.75		5000		15,00	
Pilot Mountain	W H Phillips, Brownwood	43.50		500			2·43
Pleasant Hill							
Pleasant Home	L P Phipps, Grassy Creek	52.00			3615	15.00	17.13
Tuckerdale	E L Tucker, Tuckerdale	83.28		9400			10,00
Valley Home	D R Jones, Toliver	43.25		1300	175	1.00	8.00
West Jefferson	Hal Doggett, W, Jefferson	720.00	4800	31900	3600	20.00	91.68
	Total	3477 55	8400	87505	18090	10150	27592

FINANCE

Local Poor	Minute Fund	Other Objects	Home Total	Cooperative Program (Undesignated)	Home Missions	State and Association Missions	Chistian Education	Orphanage	Hospitals	Ministerial Relief	Other Benevolences	Denominationa Total	GRAND TOTAL
	1.00		20.00										20,00
	.50		128.50										128,50
	2.00		304.25	75,00				23,00	9,27			107,27	411.52
			21.08	31.00								31,00	52,08
	2,00		46.83					14,00				14,00	60,83
20,00	2.15		239,98	32,28				72,37				104,65	344,63
	1.50		93.65										93,65
56.96	3.00		323,52	53,25				54,00	13.25			120,50	444,02
	2.50		37.50										37,50
	2.00		87.30			8,10						8,10	95,40
	.40		35,40										35,40
	4.25		166,92					31,22	14,10			45,32	212,24
7.00	2.00		189,75	24,00				9,10	6,01			39,11	228,86
5.00	5,50		141,92										141,92
	1,60		99,67					8.50				8,50	108,17
7.00	2.00		275,56				3,81	12850	5,00		4,00	141,31	416,87
	1.85		69,38					2,50				2,50	71,88
	3.15		105,71										105,71
	2.00		48,62					21,00				21,00	69,62
	1.50		61,50	15,00								15,00	76,50
8.85	2.00	4.50	265,35	49,57			16,50		33,93			100,00	365,35
	4.00		143,49	16,00				31,00	1,75			48,75	192,24
	1.00		79,62										79,62
	2.85		119,32					10.75				10,75	130;07
	2.00		77,70									65,55	143,25
	1.00		50,43					8,50		65,55		8,50	58,93
20.00	5.42		193,17	25,00		2.00		15,00				42,00	235,17
			50,93					2,00				2,00	52,93
	3.00		123,28	6,55				4,25			13,00	23,80	147,08
18.00	3.20		208,48										208,48
	2.77		69,77					4,00				4,00	73,77
96,85	8,11	111.00	145064	81,65	20,85	40100		53,00	30,00			586,50	2037,14
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adult church members are largely uninterested and that only a part of the younger members of our churches are enrolled in Sunday school. That our pastors do not take the same interest, (there are some shining exceptions, thank God!) in the Sunday schools that they do in regular church services.

Your committee would set as a goal for Ashe County Baptists:

1. A Sunday school in every church, open the year round.
2. One hundred per cent, resident church membership enrolled.
3. Increase contributions to provide sufficient literature and equipment.
4. Organized and graded Sunday schools, with at least five classes and more where practicable.
5. A county wide or Association wide effort to provide teacher training for our Sunday school teachers.
6. The selection of officers and teachers of irreproachable Christian character.

Shakespeare says, "If to do were as easy as to know what were well to do then chapels had been churches and poor men's hovels princes palaces". We have set a high standard which we cannot reach at a single flight. But we can work with our ideals among the stars and climb higher than if we are satisfied with the shabby showing our last minute disclosed. "A man's reach should exceed his grasp or what's a Heaven for?"

This is a worthy program, and if carried out would double the efficiency of our churches and mightily please our Lord Jesus, who spent His Sabbath days teaching the Scripture in the synagogues of Capernaum and Galilee.

Respectfully submitted,

Ira T. Johnston }
L. D. Blackburn } Committee

4. Ira T. Johnston urges Ashe County Baptist to attend the Sunday School Convention at Jefferson Baptist Church next year.

Prof. Nye of West Jefferson High School urges better attendance on part of church membership.

Speech by K. D. Stukenbroke on better organizing and training in the Sunday School, also on the benefit and support of our Mission Schools.

5. Julian Hopkins, I. T. Johnston and B. H. Duncan were elected trustees of Mountain View School.

6.

7. Report on Temperence not present, was omitted.

8. Report of Committee on Digest of Church Letters submitted. Report as follows:

DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS

From the report of 32 churches, we your committie submit the following report:

Value of church prcperty $43,550. Received by baptisms 144, by letter 52, by statement 20, by restoration 9. Losses by letter 39, by exclusion 36, by death 26. Prese ntmembership 2426.

FINANCIALY: Pastor's Salaries $3,477.55, Other Salaries $84.00, Ministerial Help $875.05, Building and Repairs $180.90, Incidentals $101.50, Sunday Schools and B. Y. P. U. Expenses $275.92, Local Poor $239.66, Minute Fund $77.25, Other Objects $115.50, 1925 Program undes $409.30, Home Missions $20.85, State and Associational Missions $411.10, Christian Education $20.31, Orphange $492.69, Hospital $113.31, Ministerial relief $65.55, Other Benevolences $17.00. Total spent locally $4,782.59 Total Denomieational Expenditures $1,550.11, Grand Total for all Causes $6,779.33.

Respectfully submitted,

F. B. Tucker,
D. C. Severt, } Com.
J. H. Wagoner,

9. On motion S. C. Blaakburn was elected as member of State Mission Board.

10. Report of Finance Committee submitted and on motion adopted.

11. Report on motions and resolutions submitted and on motion adopted.

Report as follows, Be it resolved by the Ashe Baptist Association in its 39th, annual session:

A. That this body express its thanks and appreciation to the people of all denominations of West Jefferson and surrounding community for their generous hospitality during this session.

B. That this body express its thanks to the owners of the tent and grounds upon which it stands, for the use of same during this session.

C. That this body express its appreciation for the services of its officers, and the various committees for their labor in making this session a success.

D. That this body tender its gratitude to Sec. M. A. Huggins and Bretheren K. D. Stukenbroke, S. C. Blackburn, J. A. Brendell and J. R. Shumate for the inspiration derived from their addresses and sermons delivered during this session.

E. That this body pledge its support to the co-operative program of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Respectfully,

J. W. Duncan
Ira T. Johnston } Committee
W. C. Johnston

TABLE III--SUNDAY

CHURCHES	Country Or Town	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST OFFICES	SECRETARIES AND POST OFFICES
Apple Grove	Country	Mrs A A Perry, White Top	Mrs A A Perry, White Top
Ball Mountain	----------	W L Houck, Beaver Creek	W L Houck, Beaver Creek
Baptist Home	----------	J W Woodard, Parker	Q A Brown, Parker,
Beaver Creek	----------	Mrs Birdie Ray, Bea'r Creek	Hayden Goodman, B. Creek
Bethel	----------	T H Brown, Oval, N C	R G Phillips, Oval
Big Flats	----------	R C Parsons, Todd, N C	Ema Houck, Fleetwood
Buffalo	----------	B S Harless, Beaver Creek	Elizabeth Ray, Smethport
Friendship	----------	Foster Brown, Jefferson	Ella Burkett, Jefferson
Healing Sp'gs	----------	J F Phipps, Crumpler	W H Wiles, Crumpler
Jefferson	Town	James Haire, Jefferson	Blanche Badger, Jefferrson
Land Mark	Country	M F Denney, Grassy Creek	Mrs Dora Baldwin, G, Creek
Laurel Knob	----------	G. S. Holeman, Todd	R S Stephens, Todd
Liberty Grove	----------	J. P. Howell, Garren	Viola Miller, Brownwood
Little Helton	----------	Chas Hurley, Grassy Creek	Mrs Fannie Ball, Helton
Long Branch	----------	James Welch, Edison	J G Welch, Lansing
Meadow View	----------	Mrs Laura Spencer, G Creek	Miss Zetta Barker, G, Creek
Mission Home	----------	J C Greene, Fleetwood	Not Given
New River	----------	Dewey Brown, Weaver'ford	Opal Grace, Weaversford
Obids	----------	Mrs Ettie Burguess, Obids	Not Given
Old Fields	----------	J R Johnston, Idlewild	Charlev Hartsog, Idlewild
Orion	----------	W J Bare, Orion	Not Given
Peak Valley	----------	Mrs J E Tyree, Creston	Chester Eggers, Creston
Phoenix	----------	E C Eller, Bina	Lillie Barr, Bina
Pilot Mountain	----------	Ben Miller, Brownwood	Minnie Phillips, Brownwood
PleasantHome	----------	R A Stephens, Grassy Creek	C E Deboard, Grassy Creek
Tuckerdale	Town	E L Tucker, Tuckerdale	Walter Graham, Tuckerdale
Valley Home	Country	J M Toliver, Toliver	W T A Jones, Toliver
W. Jefferson	Town	W C Johnston, W. Jefferson	Lucile Gambill, W. Jefferson
			Total

12. Committee on place and preacher for the 40th annual session of the Ashe Baptist Asssociation 1926, report as follows:

Place:—Orion; Preacher:—Rev. J. A. Brendell; Alternate:—Rev. W. E. Denney.

Respectfully Submitted,

C. E. Howell,
Lawson Edwards,
J. F. Dillard,
} Com.

13 Rev. J. O. Spencer, who was announced to preach for the hour, called Adjournment by a song; benediction by Prof. J. C. Goodman.

SCHOOLS

Officers and Teachers	Beginners 3 to 5 Years	Primaries to 8 Years	Juniors 9 to 12 Yeare	Intermediates	Seniors-Adults 17 Year and Up	Cradle Roll Under 3 Years.	Home Department	Total Enrollment	Is the School Graded?	Is it Standard A 1	Teachers Holding Normal Dip	Baptisms from School	Gifts to Local Church Work	Gift to Missions Orphanages etc	Does Your Church House Provide for all Departments.
5	12	8	8		15	4		52							
4	20		25		35			80	No						Yes
6								6	----	No	0				No
4	6	4	8	6	12			40	No	----	0		$3.08		
6								60							
7	14	12	12	18	18	5		86	----	----	0				
5	8	10	10	6	12	3		54	----	----	0	1		$3.53	
6								50	----	----	0			6.50	No
8	12	15	16	24	22			97	----	----	0	0			----
5	5	7	7	10	8			42	----	----	1	0	44.11		----
7	7	34	18	33	25			124	----	----	0	2	13.06	1.50	
6								6							
6								98							
5		13	6	15	15			54	----	----	0				
4	6	8	8		20			46	----	----	1				Yes
6	10		10		10			36					10.00		
6		20	30		40			96	----	----	0		30.00	20.00	No
6								159							
4		6		15	15			40	----						----
6	14	9		17				49							----
6	7							57							
6	11	25	14	18	33	4		111	----	----					----
7								74	----	----					----
5								5							
6	22		21	32	26			107							----
5								75					10.00		----
7	15	14	10	15	10			71	----	----		1			
8	20	27	25	15	89	20	15	228	Yes		0	7	105.00	23.43	
62	189	212	228	224	405	36	15	2003			2	15	215.25	54.96	

Obituaries

ALLIE FLORENCE HOPKINS, daughter of J. E and Mandy Jane Waddell, born July 31, 1881, died March 10, 1925; age 43 years, 7 months and 9 days.

She was married to Daniel Lee Hopkins, February 11, 1899. Unto this union was born four children, all are living. Her husband died in the year 1910, leaving her with four small children to rear.

She professed a hope in christ about the year 1912 and joined Meadow View Church and was baptized, where she remained a faithful member until death.

She told her children a few months before she died that she was ready to go; that she could not find anything in her way.

William Bethel Heath, was born May 21, 1864, died April 5, 1925. Age 60 years, 10 months and 12 days.

He was married to Lucy Jane Sage, December 15, 1883. Unto them were born Six children; one son and five daughters. He professed a hope in Christ about the year 1884, and joined Liberty Church, Silas Creek, N. C. He was baptized by Tommy Jones 1908. He moved his membership to Macedon Church, where he labored for his Master until he was called home.

He was a good and effectionate husband and father. By his death his home and friends have sustained an irreparable loss,

We will no more here the good counsel and and advice of the one we loved so well.

Weep not! sorrow not! for our loss is his Eternal Gain.

Callie M. Ray, daugbter of R. C. and L. V. Parsons, born June 29, 1893. Died June 23, 1925. Age 31 years, 11 months and 24 days.

She was married to W. A. Ray in 1908. To this union one son was born.

She professed a hope in Christ when she was fourteen years old and joined Big Flats Church and remained a member of same untill death.

During her illness she often talked of her home beyond, praying for her husband and two brothers who were unsaved. This ought to be enough to cause them to come to Christ.

She leaves a husband, one son, father, mother, three sisters and three brohers to mourn her loss.

Everything that medical aid and kind hands could do, was done with out avail; but it pleased God to call her away. She is gone to that home above where sorrow, sickness, pain and death are felt nor feared no more.

Orah Parsons was born May 27, 1849. Died June 8, 1925. Age 76 years and 11 days.

Fifty years ago she professed a hope in Christ and joined South Fork Baptist Church and remained a member for about 20 years. She moved her membership to New River Church where she remained until Big Flats church was organized, and there she went into the organization as a charter member. In this church she remained until she joined the church triumphant.

She was the youngest child and the last to die in a family of fourteen children.

Sister Parsons left behind quite a number of friends and rela tives. During the latter part of her life she suffered a great deal, often speaking her desire to be free from pain and go on to meet her reward. We rest assured of the fact that her loss is Heaven's gain.

Treasurer's Report

Received of Finance Committee:

Minute Fund	$77.55	
Orphanage	13.50	
Y. M. C. A.	2.24	
State Missions	39.50	
Paid to F. B. Hamrick		$13.50
" Walters Durham		41.74
" Printing Minutes		53.60
	$132.79	$108.84
Balance, $23.95		

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NORTH CAROLINA

FORTIETH ANNUAL SESSION

HELD WITH

ORION BAPTIST CHURCH

August 27-28, 1926

Orion, North Carolina

The Next Session Will be Held With Buffalo Baptist Church, Two Miles West of Smethport; Beginning The Last Friday in August, 1927. Three Days Session.

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DIRECTORY OF ASSOCIATION

Officers

Prof. J. C. Goodman, Moderator, ... Beaver Creek, N. C.
H. A. Eller, Vice President, ... Bina, N. C.
J. G. Welch, Clerk and Treasurer, ... Lansing, N. C.

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Executive Committee and Board of Missions

I. T. Johnston, Chairman, ... Jefferson, N. C.
J. C. Green, ... Fleetwood, N. C.
W. T. Harless, ... Beaver Creek, N. C.
J. W. Barr, ... Bina, N. C.
J. F. Dillard, ... Orion, N. C.

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Member State Mission Board

I. T. Johnston, ... Jefferson, N. C.

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Standing Committees to Report in 1927.

State Missions: ..... B. H. Duncan, Beaver Creek, N. C.
Home Missions: ..... Chas. E. Howell, Todd, N. C.
Foreign Missions: ..... J. H. Wagoner, Nathans Creek, N. C.
Sunday Schools: ..... J. O. Spencer, Grassy Creek, N. C.
W. E. Denney, Silas Creek, N. C.
Biblical Recorder: ..... J. O. Goodman, Beaver Creek, N. C.
Orphanage: ..... Felix Houck, Fleetwood, N. C.
Hospital: ..... W. F. Baker, Grassy Creek, N. C.
Christian Education: ..... Ira T. Johnston, Jefferson, N. C.
Pastorial Support: ..... G. L. Trivett, Beaver Creek, N. C.
Digest of Church Letters: F. W. Testerman, Jefferson, N. C.
L. H. Goodman, Beaver Creek, N. C.
Bryan Oliver, Grassy Creek, N. C.
Obituaries: ..... J. G. Welch, Lansing, N. C.

List of Messengers 1926 Session

BALD MOUNTAIN: G. L. Trivett, J. R. Lewis, B. H. Duncan.

BAPTIST HOME: M. L. Sturgill, J. W. Woodard, L J. Sturgill.

BEAVER CREEK: W. F. Goodman, J. O. Goodman, Mrs. W. F. Goodman.

BETHEL; J P Goodman, T H Brown, R G Phillips.

BIG FLATS: F L Houck, G T Greer

BIG LAUREL: Mrs Mattie Roten

BRISTOL: T A Johnson, Roscoe Dickson

BUFFALO: W A Campbell, B S Harless, W T Harless

FOREST HOME: D B Ashley, J H Ashley

FRIENDSHIP: Carol Burkett T K Luther, Bertie Dixon

HEALING SPRINGS: G R Ham, I N Hudler, W H Wiles

GLENDALE SPRINGS: J D Wingler, George Miller, Gordon Severt.

JEFFERSON: Ira T Johnston, F W Testerman, James Haire.

LANDMARK: R A Blevins, Bryan Oliver, J C Denney

LIBERTY GROVE: J L Miller, L N Keller, J A Howell

LIBERTY HILL: T E Dickson, H L Goodman, J H Wagoner.

LITTLE HELTON; Lee Gambill, Charley Hurley.

LONG BRANCH: J G Welch, Mrs. Lucy Welch

MEADOW VIEW: C C Barker.

MISSION HOME: J F Blackburn.

NEW RIVER; Clinton Brown

OBIDS: G W Brown, Robert Faw, D H Burgess

OLD FIELDS: E F Phillips

ORION: W L Luther, W C Smith

PEAK VALLEY: Letter sent in by Clerk

PHOENIX: J W Barr, H A Eller, E C Eller

PLEASANT HOME: W R Lovelace, C N Deboard

PLEASANT VALLEY: W W Blackburn, J R Brinegar, E W Phipps

SMETHPORT; Dennis Lewis, P S Bumgarner S Sturgill

TUCKERDALE: E L Tucker, Mrs F B Tucker Miss Lue Powers

VALLEY HOME Velt Turner, D R Jones

WEST JEFFERSON: H L Tucker, J H Weaver, Walter Phillips

ZION HILL: W H Sheets

CONSTITUTION

NAMES

Article 1. This body shall be called the Ashe Association.

OBJECTS

Article 2. The object of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the gospel in our bounds, and in all the world, and in this work the Association will co-operate with the Baptist Convention of North Carolina.

MEMBERSHIP

Article 3. The members of this body shall be all the ordained ministers of the churches of this Association, and three delegates from each church, who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment and giving statistics of the membership and work of the church.

ORGANIZATION

Article 4. At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer in such a way as the Association may direct. The last two offices may be held by the same brother.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Article 5. The Moderator shall preside at all meetings, preserve order, appoint committees, and perform such duties as are required of presiding officers.

Article 6. The Clerk shall keep a correct record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing and distribution to the churches, the proceedings of the body.

Article 7. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent to the Association to pay them out as the Association may direct and make a report at each annual session.

TIME AND PLACE

Article 8. The Association shall hold an annual meeting at such time and place as may be agreed upon.

APPOINTMENTS

Article 9. At each annual meeting there shall be appointed an executive committee of five brethren who shall look after the destitution in the bounds of this Association, and co-operate with the State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention, making to the next session a report of the work done and all the general State Mission work.

Article 10. The Association shall convene annually on the last Friday in August. At each annual session there shall be appointed committees to make reports to the ensuing session, on the following subjects to-wit: State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Pastoral Support, Ministerial Education, Baptist Orphanage, Biblical Recorder Temperance, Digest of Church Letters, Finance, Place and Preacher for next Association and Baptist Hospital:

ORDER OF RELIGIOUS EXERCISES

Article 11. Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

Article 12. In addition to the introductory sermon, the committee on religious exercises shall arrange at least one other sermon each day the Association is in session and all business shall be suspended while the sermon is being delivered; but no sermon shall be scheduled while the Association is engaged in a business session.

PREROGATIVES

Article 13. The Association will not retain in permanent fellowship any church that retains in its fellowship any member who is disorderly in doctrine or practice, or who makes, sells or in any way deals in ardent spirits as a beverage.

CONSTITUTION HOW AMENDED

Article 14. This Constitution may be amended by a vote of two thirds of the members present at any annual session.

Abstract of Principles

1st. We believe in only one true and living God, and that there are three persons in the God-head, the Father, the Son and

the Holy Ghost, and that these three are one.

2nd. We believe that the Bible, the new and old Testaments is the Word of God and the only rule of faith and practice.

3rd. We believe in the impotency of man and the soverignty of God.

4th. We believe that salvation is by Grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5th. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ to be practiced only by believers in their spiritual order.

6th. We believe that Baptism is the immerson of a believer in water by a qualified administrator, and that those who are thus báptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and doctrine, should take the Lord's Supper.

7th. We believe in the final perseverance of the saints in grace to glory.

8th: We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment.

9th. We believe that the existence of the righteous and the wicked will both be of eternal duration, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

Rules of Order

1st. Every session shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2nd. When the Moderator calls the house to order, every member shall at once take his seat.

3rd. When a member wishes to speak he shall rise and address the Moderator, and not proceed till he is recognized.

4th. No member shall speak more than twice on any subject except by permission of the body.

5th. No member shall leave the body during the session with out permission of the Moderator.

6th. It will be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold private conversation while any person is speaking

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

Ashe
Missionary Baptist Association

HELD WITH

ORION BAPTIST CHURCH

Orion, North Carolina

FIRST DAY

Friday, August 27th, 10 A. M.

1st. The fortieth annual session of the Ashe Missionary Baptist association convened with Orion Baptist church Orion, North Carolina, Friday, August 27th, 1926 at 10 a. m.

2nd. Rev. W. E. Denny led the Association in worship of song, and followed by reading a scripture lesson from the 3rd, Chapter 1st, Corinthians. Prof. J. C. Goodman led in prayer.

3rd. Doctor Chas. E. Maddry, Corresponding Secretary of the State Mission Board, made an inspiring speech on the Baptist Co-Operative Programme telling about the good it is doing, how the money is spent and its needs, and urged all the churches to be loyal to its support. Prayer Rev. W. R. Bradshaw.

4th. The Moderator, Prof. J. C. Goodman called the Association to the transaction of business.

5th. On motion of the body the Association went into the election of officers by acclamation for the year with the following results; Moderator Prof. J. C. Goodman, Clerk and Treasurer J. G. Welch.

6th. Roll call of churches, 31 church letters were handed in.

7th. Call for new churches, Smethport and Pleasant Valley handed in letters of application asking for admission into the Ashe Asssociation. After some remarks by Ira T. Johnston,

Rev. W. H. Winkler and others it was agreed on motion of Ira T. Johnston that these two churches be accepted under the watch care of the Ashe Association, and that a committee be appointed by the Moderator, to visit the churches and report at the next Association. Motion carried.

Committee Appointed: Ira T. Johnston, Felix W. Testerman, G. L. Trivett, W. E. Denney, Walter Phillips

8th. The Moderator appointed the following committees:

Obituaries:	J. G. Welch.
Finance:	J. W. Duncan, Charlie Howell, Bryan Oliver.
Resolutions:	Ira T. Johnston, H. A. Eller, Rev. Coy S. Blackburn.
Place and Preacher:	Delegates from West Jefferson, Buffalo, Valley Home and Old Field.
Religious Exercises:	T. K. Luther and Delegates from Orion Church.

9. On motion of Ira T, Johnston the old Board of Missions was discontinued and a committee of five were to be appointed by the Moderator, known as the Executive Committee and Board of Missions.

10. The invitation to visitors was extended and the following were seated with the Association:

Rev. W. R. Bradshaw of Catawba River Association; Rev. H L. Caudill, W. B. Reeves, and Hon. R. L. Doughton of Alleghany Association; Reverends N. C. Teague and K. D. Stukenbroke of Brushy Mountain Association; Doctor Charles E. Maddry, Corresponding Secretary of the State Mission Board, Raleigh, N. C.

11. On motion the Association appointed Bro. H. A. Eller as Vice President in place of his father James Eller who has deceased.

12. On motion adjourned till 1:45 P. M. Prayer by Rev. N.

Prayer by Rev. N. C. Teague.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION, 1:45 P. M.

13. The afternoon session was opened by singing. Prayer by Rev. K. D. Stukenbrok.

14. The moderator appointed L. H. Goodman, T. K. Luther, Bryan Oliver, and Felix W. Testerman, as committee on Digest of Church Letters.

15. On motion, the moderator was given right to appoint the Executive Committee and Board of Missions. He re-appointed the old Executive Committee with the exception that Ira T. Johnston serve in place of C. W. Phillips.

16. The Association agreed to use the report on Biblical Recorder last year. Rev. N. C. Teague and Prof. J. O. Goodman took part in the discussion of this subject.

Report on Biblical Recorder

This is an age of information. People are reading more than ever before in the history of the world. This is especially true in Ashe County and Northwestern North Carolina. Daily motor mail service has ment a daily paper in hundreds of homes west of the Blue Ridge on the day of publication. Our people have had their horizon widened and the gateway to the outside world opened as never before. All this is well. Ashe County Baptists welcome the new era and pray for greater progress.

However, every progressive moment in other realms of thought and action and material development within our borders imposes new obligations upon us who uphold the banner of the Baptist church and or King Immanuel If our growth is mental, moral and spiritur as well as physical, our information and reading must be of the right sort, and unless we desire a lop-sided develapment, we certainly must not neglect religious literature. First of all, we should dust off our famlly Bibles and commune with the master minds, who we believe held communion as they wrote with the Divine. Next, we should plan for ourselves and our children to receive reading matters as vairied as we wish our lives to be and our denominational paper assuredly have a place in any well chosen list.

Baptist in North Carolina are pricticularly fortunate in having the Biblical Recorder, a publication that in arrange ment and subject matter compares favorably with the secular and religious papers of the country. It has departments which are of interest to every member of the family. Its readers are informed by its pages of the activities of the denomination as they can be in no other way.

What would you think of a physician who has no medical books in his library and does not read any of the new developments in realm of medical science? What would you think of a lawyer who has no law books in his library and who has no methad of keeping up with happenings in the legal world? What would you think of a christian who is ignorant of the great text-book of the christian, the Bible?

And what would you think of a Baprist who for the pittance of $2.00 per year debars himself and his family of the wealth of information and inspiration to be found in a state denominational paper, the Biblical Recorder? Lets give it 100 per cent subscription list in Ashe Association, It will hely the Baptist cadse in Asne County immeasurably more.

J. S. HOPKINS, Com.

17. Prof. J. O. Goodman took 16 subscriptions for the Recorder.

18. Rev. W. R. Bradshaw gave the Association a hearty address of welcome. He makes us feel good by his presence, and by saying so many good things.

19. The Report on Foreign Missions was submitted and read by B. H. Duncan.

Foreign Missions Report—1926

The Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention has closed the eighty-first year of its great service as a clearing house of Southern Baptists for the dissemination of the gospel in the most destitute parts of the earth. These eighty-one years have been filled with perplexing problems, hard work, and often with discouragement. But there has been an almost unbroken progress in evangelistic achievement and expansion of the Kingdom of Christ. The last year was the best year in all the years of the Board's history and work.

The following facts should be carefully stored up by

pastors and messengers to this Association, and taken back to the whole membership of their churches.

I. Things Accomplished Last Year: 13,269 persons were baptized on our Foreign Mission fields during the last Southern Baptist Convention year. A gain of 1,135 over the previous year. The total membership is now 140,488. This membership is organized into 1,215 churches, 557 of which are self-supporting. These churches contributed last year $444,258, or nearly $4.00 per member.

We have on these fields ,1818 Sunday Schools with 76,-991 scholars, and 568 women's societies, with 13,649 members. There are also 574 young people's societies with a membership of 13,868. Of schools of all grades, including kindergarten up to theological seminaries, we had 920 with a total student body of 36,893 before the Board's finance made it necessary to discontinue many of these schools. It is found that more than 50 per cent. of the baptisms reported for the year was among these students in our Christian schools on the foreign fields.

The medical work of the Board for the year consisted of 214,910 treatments administered to 69,583 patients, of which 5,498 were in-patients. 934 of these operations performed by the Board's medical staff were major operations.

II. Financial Condition of the Board: The Board started the year 1925-26 with a heavy debt and loud calls from its missionaries for re-enforcement and relief. During the year the Board received from the Co-operative Program $1,071,-834.16; in designated gifts $240,613.05; and in total gifts to the Chistmas Love Offering, $811,344.11. The debt was substantially reduced, but there was left in indebtedness of $727,000. The women of the South have undertaken to raise as a Christmas offering about Christmas time $300,-000 toward the further reduction of this debt.

The Board for more than three years denied the missionaries all equipment, such as residence, church buildings, school and hospital buildngs, and has now for some time dicontinued appointment of missionaries, although there has been sad depletion of the missionary staff by death and resignations.

The world which the Foreign Mission Board is facing is one in desperate need, but a world ready for Chrst, its only hope. Will the Baptists of this Association suffer their beloved missionaries and their Foreign Mission Board to appeal in vain to them? Will they ignore the cries of a lost

and ruined world for which Christ died and for which we have a sure and only remedy? The world needs the gospel; hundreds of young people are ready to carry it, and our people have the money to send them, if they would only give it.

Respectfully submitted,
B. H. DUNCAN, Committee.

20. Report on Home Missions was written by Ira T. Johnston, and read in session.

Report On Home Missions

A great many good people will tell you that they do not believe in Foreign Missions but that they do believe in Home Missions. No Baptist has the right to take that attitude toward Foreign Missions; and according to the Baptist interpretation of the Scriptures, no Christian has the right to take it. However, the needs of the Home Mission Board present a fine opportunity for those who take this position to prove their sincerity. It is a testing time. Also, these needs appeal to every believer in our denominational program.

The excellent report of a year ago set out in detail the phases of work of the Home Mission Board, with headquarters at Atlanta. Your committee recommends that report to the Baptists of Ashe county for careful study and prayerful consideration.

Recently, the Home Mission Board has been forced to make severe and drastic retrenchment in many phases of its work. In spite of white harvest fields all over the South and unprecedented calls from Cuba and Panama, the Board has had to stand still and even go backward. It is burdened by debt. It has not the funds to carry on its great work.

Perhaps the work of the Board that comes nearest the hearts of Ashe county Baptists is the support and maintenance of more than 50 mountain schools. Mountain View, in Wilkes county, is a fine example, and one that should be near enough to enlist our sympathy and aid. The trustees hope to make it a Junior College. It must be made a Junior College or perish in competition with state high schools. Your committee recommends this institution to the liberality of those who want to keep their money near home and render a service to our very own.

The gospel must be preached, 'beginning at Jerusalem.' Our Baptist program calls for its being preached to the uttermost ends of the earth. Our Home Mission Board is en-

titled to increased contributions from loyal Baptists. Let us hope that Ashe county Baptists will have a vision and act upon it.

Respectfully submitted,
IRA T. JOHNSTON, Committee.

21. Report on State Missions by Rev. Coy S. Blackburn and read by the clerk.

Report On State Missions

With profound gratitude to God for His multiplied and continued blessings upon the Baptist State Convention, we present you herewith the following report on State Missions. The year has been one of mingled lights and shadows.

There has been the natural and logical reaction from the high and challenging days following the World War and the high pressure of the 75 million campaign days.

We are slowly but surely regaining the lost ground, and we firmly believe we shall come to a period of sane and wholesome progress. Taking all things into consideration, we are able to report a year of great and substantial progress.

We therefore report the following work done by our missionaries:

Number Missionaries	145
Churches Served	259
Sermons Preached	12,496
Other Addresses	3,856
Churches Organized	41
Church Houses Built	8
Church Houses Repaired	129
Conversions	4,231
Baptisms	2,946
By letter, restoration and statement	2,404
Subscriptions taken for Biblical Recorder	296
Subscriptions taken for Charity and Children	676
Paid for Church Building and Repairs	$112,810.62
Paid to Pastors' Salary	88,539.78
Co-operative Program and 75 Million Campaign	31,336.51
State Missions	5,350.72
Home Missions	526.43
Foreign Missions	496.01
Education	2,315.93
Ministers' Relief	488.86
Orphanage	11,246.36

All other objects 31,671.61
Total amount paid by Mission churches to all objects $284,782.83

Respectfully submitted,
S. C. BLACKBURN, Committee.

22. On motion of the body, the foregoing reports were all adopted.

23. Committee on Religious Exercises made the following report:

Preaching in the stand by Rev. N. C. Teague. Rev. J. O. Spencer to preach at 8:30 p. m. Devitional exercise at 9:30 Saturday morning to be conducted by Rev. H. M. Winkler. Preaching in the grove at 11:30 a. m. Saturday morning by Rev. K. D. Stukenbrok. Rev. W. F. Barker to preach the closing sermon Saturday evening.

24. Rev. N. C. Teague preached from Phillipians, 1st chapter and 5th verse, "Your Fellowship In the Gospel."

25. Homes for Messengers were assigned.

26. On motion of the body, the Association was to stand adjourned till 9:30 Saturday morning. Rev. W. E. Denney led the closing prayer.

27. Rev. J. O. Spencer preached at 8:30 Friday night on the subject of "Faithfulness."

SECOND DAY—SATURDAY, AUGUST 28

Morning Session

28. The Association came together at 9:30 a. m. and Rev. H. M. Winkler conducted the devotional service.

29. On motion of Ira T. Johnston, it was moved that the Executive Committee and pastors meet at some appointed time and place at least one month before the next Association to make out a programme to arrange a place for all reports and religious exercises, and that the next Association hold a three-day session. Motion carried.

30. Rev. and Mrs. E. M. Harris, pastor of Memorial Baptist church, Pedu Association, South Carolina, were seated with the body; also Bro. Frank Doughton from Alleghany Association.

31. Report on Christian Education submitted by Rev. W. E. Denney and discussed by Rev. K. D. Stukenbrok and others, taking into consideration the importance of our Baptist schools. On motion, the report was adopted.

Report On Christian Education

Christian Education is the developing of the mind spiritually and bringing into active display, that knowledge that

has been acquired by the training of others; therefore, the result of future activities of our people in Kingdom work depends greatly on how they are taught, and what they are taught.

Our churches should take a very active part in the training of our young people, as well as the older membership of our churches who do not understand.

People who do things have actively trained minds and remember facts. They are trained to put their thoughts together and develop ideas.

The great need of the day is a better trained church membership in Kingdom work; therefore, we beg to submit the following:

I. Home Training: Are we as fathers and mothers neglecting our children in this respect? Remember their future usefulness depends greatly on their home training. Just a reminder lest we forget.

II. That we become more interested in Sunday School work, because the Sunday School is the best place to impress upon the minds of our young people the great question of missions.

III. That each church has during the year a school on the Stewardship of Missions. Study books can be had from the Sunday School Board. We think this will help to solve the mission question that now exists in some of our churches.

IV. Our denominational schools can only more fully develop that knowledge that has been acquired by our young people in the home, the Sunday School and church life.

We highly recommend our denominational schools to all that can attend them.

It is very needful that our churches take a more active part in training of our young people. Let us not so carelessly neglect them, because they are the Lord's heritage, and He needs them in the Kingdom work.

Respectfully submitted,
W. E. DENNY, Committee.

32. Report on Baptist Hospital by Rev. J. D. Sexton; read, and on motion, adopted by asking every church to take a collection during the year for its support.

Report On Baptist Hospital

We are glad the Baptists have a hospital within reach of the people of Western North Carolina.

In the days of Christ and His apostles they healed the

sick, and Christ Himself bore our sickness, Matthew 8:17. When Christ sent out the seventy, He told them to heal the sick, Luke10:9. So we would say to the churches of the Ashe Association, let us help keep up the great work that is begun among us.

He that taketh hold of the plow and looketh back is not fit for the kingdom, Luke 9:62. Jesus said in Matthew 25:36: "I was sick and you visited me." We can visit the sick, but we can't heal them. But we can contribute to our Baptist hospital and help them to be healed. Healing the sick is a part of the gospel. So let us practice it all.

Respectfully submitted,
J. D. SEXTON, Committee.

33. On motion, adjourned business until 1:30 p. m., and retired to the grove for preaching. Rev. K. D. Stukenbrok preached on the theme of "Love."

Evening Session

34. The Association met in business session at 1:30 p. m., by engaging in song service. Prayer by Rev. N. C. Teague.

35. Committee on Report of Orphanage not being present, the Association agreed to use last year's report. After being read it was discussed by Rev. K. D. Stukenbrok, who urged that each church exhaust its own resources before calling on the Orphanage for help. Bro. Dave Harless suggested that the churches all make up and send produce. The following pastors and laymen agreed to try this plan: Bros. F. L. Houck and Bryan Oliver, and Revs. J. M. Hayes, H. M. Winkler, C. W. Sexton, and W. E. Denney. On motion, the report was adopted.

Report Or Orphanage

Our orphans' home at Thomasville, N. C., and Kennedy Home near Kinston, N. C., are supported by the Baptists of North Carolina. We need only to know the needs and the worth of this institution to give to its support freely. It accommodates about 650 children who are dependent to a great extent upon the Baptists of North Carolina for their support.

The cost for each child for a year is approximately $250, or $21 per month.

The demand of the orphanage is greater than its equipment and resources can supply, as its needs are increasing yearly. Shall we Baptists of Ashe county not do more active giving than ever before for our Orphanage, in order

that some worthy child may not be denied the great life that God has endowed it with?

The various churches with their great wealth and abundance should give more freely of what the Lord has blessed them with to relieve the wants of these orphans that have been left in our care.

We insist, therefore, that our pastors, Sunday School superintendents and teachers impress upon the minds of their congregations and classes their duty toward this great object of charity.

Repectfully submitted,
B. H. DUNCAN,
H. C. TUCKER, Committee.

36. Report on Sunday Schools by J. O. Spencer. On motion, old report used and adopted. Rev. K. D. Stukenbrok urged all the pastors to try to create a more efficient Sunday school in their churches.

Report Of Sunday Schools

Without criticizing the former excellent reports on Sunday Schools, or by inference reflecting upon them, your committee has decided to take another tack, and instead of adding to the words of wisdom emphasizing the value of the Sunday School to the church which grace the old minutes, give some figures that, to our minds, speak louder than any words of ours can speak. These figures are taken from our last minutes.

The expenses of all the Sunday schools in Ashe county as reported last year amounted to $215.25 annually. That is, the members of Baptist churches in Ashe county contribute about ten cents per member by the Sunday school work.

Ten of our thirty-eight Baptist churches reported no Sunday school whatever—a twenty-five per cent. deficiency.

Out of our 2,526 members of Baptist churches in Ashe county, only 650 were reported enrolled in Sunday schools; and this 650 is the number that is enrolled in Sunday school, which, of course, includes more than can be counted as regular attendants. About one in four of the white population of North Carolina is enrolled in all the Sunday schools of the state. Ashe county Baptists make a worse showing than this sorry proportion, as less than one in four of our own church members are enrolled in our Sunday schools.

The average number of teachers reported for Sunday schools of the county is three.

About six Sunday schools in the county report that they

are open all the year.

Between the lines of these figures, your committee reads: That there are too few classes; that little effort has ben made to grade the Sunday schools, and that practically no equipment for teaching, except a small amount of literature is provided. That the adult church members are largely uninterested and that only a part of the younger members of our churches are enrolled in Sunday school. That our pastors do not take the same interest (there are some shining exceptions, thank God!) in the Sunday schools that they do in regular church services.

Your committee would set as a goal for Ashe county Baptists:

I. A Sunday school in every church—open the year 'round.

II. One hundred per cent. resident church membership enrolled.

III. Increase contributions to provide sufficient literature and equipment.

IV. Organized and graded Sunday schools, with at least five classes more where practicable.

V. A county wide, or association wide, effort to provide teacher training for our Sunday school teachers.

VI. The selection of officers and teachers of irreproachable Christian character.

Shakespeare says: "If to do were as easy as to know what were well to do, then chapels had been churches and poor men's hovels princes' palaces." Wv haee set a high standard, which we cannot reach at a single flight. But we can work with our ideals among the stars and climb higher than if we are satisfied with the shabby showing our last minute disclosed. "A man's reach should exceed his grasp, orw hat's a Heaven for?"

This is a worthy program, and if carried out, would double the efficiency of our chruches and mightily please our Lord Jesus, who spent His Sabbath days teaching the Scripture in the synagogues of Capernaum and Gililee.

Respectfully submitted,

J. O. SPENCER, Committee.

37. Report of Committee on Digest of Church Letters submitted. Reports as follows:

Digest of Church Letters

From the report of 31 churches we, your commtitee, submit the following report:

Value of Church Property	$	45,350.00
Received by Baptism		207
Received by Letter		59
Received by Statement		23
By Restoration		20
Losses—By Letter		73
By Exclusion		21
By Death		42
Present Membership		2,651
Making a total net gain over last year's report of		225
Financial Report—		
Pastor's Salaries	$	3,195.89
Other Salaries		115.17
Ministerial Help		822.55
Building and Repairs		346.97
Incidentals		168.33
Sunday School and B. Y. P. U.		208.65
Local Poor		220.03
Minute Fund		66.20
Other objects		355.18
Home Total		5,507.54
Co-operative Program		927.95
Foreign Missions		31.53
Home Missions		4.14
State and Associated Missions		11.67
Orphanage		348.24
Hospitals		26.21
Denominational total		1,349.74
Grand total	$	6,857.28

Respectfully submtited,
T. K. LUTHER,
L. H. GOODMAN,
BRYAN OLIVER,

38. Report of Committee on Finance submitted. Report as follows:

We, your Finance Committee, find 31 churches that report. Received for co-operative program undesignated:

Liberty Grove	$	27.00
Tuckerdale		30.00
Orion		11.00
Liberty Hill		22.00
Bethel		17.50
Total	$	107.50

Orphanage		19.05
Home Missions		4.14
Minute Funds		66.20
Total received	$	169.89

Respectfully submitted.
J. W. DUNCAN,
CHAS. HOWELL,
BRYAN OLIVER, Committee.

39. On motion, Reports of Committees on Digest of Church Letters and Finances were approved.

40. The Moderator called the roll of churches for aid on the co-operative program for the year 1927. The following responded:

Baptist Home	$10	Long Branch	25
Beaver Creek	75	New River	100
Bethel	25	Old Fields	5
Big Flats	30	Phoenix	60
Buffalo	75	Pleasant Home	25
Forest Home	10	Tuckerdale	30
Friendship	25	Valley Home	25
Jefferson	25	West Jefferson	500
Landmark	50	Zion Hill	5
Healing Springs	50	Ball Mountain	110
Liberty Hill	10		
		Total	1270

41. Report of Committee on Place and Preacher read and adopted. Report as follows:

The next Association will be held with Buffalo Baptist church, about 2 miles west of Smethport. Rev. J. O. Spencer, of Grassy Creek, N. C., to preach the annual sermon. Alternate, Rev. S. C. Blackburn, West Jefferson, N. C.

B. S. HARLESS,
D. R. JONES,
C. E. HOWELL, Committee.

42. On motion of Coy S. Blackburn, Prof. J. C. Goodman was to represent us in the Baptist State Convention. Motion carried.

43. The Executive Committee and pastors ask the Association:

First—That it empower them to arrange meetings for all fifth Sundays, except one for Sunday school convention, at such places as may be designated by them, for the purpose of discussing the general interests and work of the Association.

Second—Meetings to be known as "Fifth Sunday Meetings of the Ashe Association."

Third—That the Association set as an objective one-third increase in offerings over last year.

44. On motion, the above resolutions adopted.

45. On motion, adjourned to the stand for preaching. Rev. W. F. Barker preached from the text: "This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come."

46. Report on Resolutions read by Rev. S. C. Blackburn and adopted. Report as follows:

Report Of Committee on Resolutions

Be it Resolved by the Ashe Baptist Association in its 40th annual session:

I. That this body express its heartfelt thanks for the most generous hospitality of the people of the Orion section extended during the session.

II. That the pastor and members of Orion church are entitled to praise for their preparation and arrangements aiding in a successful session.

III. That the body exten dits thanks and appreciation to the officers and committees for their efficient services.

IV. That this body tender its gratitude to Secretary Charles E. Maddry, of the State Mission Board, Dr. W. R. Bradshaw, Rev. N. C. Teague, Rev. K. D. Stukenbrok, Rev. J. O. Spencer, and Rev. W. F. Barber, for inspirational addresses and sermons during the session.

V. That delegates and pastors pledge increased interest in and loyalty to the co-operative program of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Respectfully submitted,
IRA T. JOHNSTON,
S. C. BLACKBURN,
H. A. ELLER, Committee.

47. A collection for minute funds was taken to the amount of $7.50.

48. On motion, the Association adjourned till the meeting of the next annual session.

The Ashe Association has no Auxiliary meetings.

TABLE NO. 1—MEMBERSHIP AND CHURCHESOF ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, YEAR 1926

Churches	When Constituted	City, Town, Village or County.	Church Clerks and Post Ogices	Regular day of Meet.	Church Membership Gains				Losses				Total	Rev. Meet's. Dur. Yr.	Obs. Lord's Sup. Dur Y	Fam. Rec. Sta. Paper
					Baptisms	Letters	Statements	Restorations	Letters	Exclusions	Deaths	Total Present Membership				
*Apple Grove	.....	.....	H. A. Miller, Whitetop, Va.	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	39	....	....	....
Baptist Home	1890	Co.	L. J. Sturgill, Parker	3	5	....	....	....	....	....	....	60	1	....	1
Bald Mountain	1910	Co.	C. W. Campbell, Beaver Creek	1 2	21	6	....	2	1	4	1	111	1	....	3
Beaver Creek	1891	Co.	I. H. Goodman, Beaver Creek	3	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	42	....	....	4
Bethel	1851	Co.	C. W. Phillips, West Jefferson	2	2	....	....	....	....	1	....	117	1	1	....
Big Flats	1905	Co.	R. A. Goodman, Fleetwood	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	74	....	1	....
Big Laurel	1880	Co.	Earl Roten, Hemlock	4	18	1	1	1	....	....	2	41	1	1	....
Bristol	.....	V.	T. A. Johnson, Jefferson	1	7	1	....	....	1	4	1	66	1	1	....
Buffalo	1869	Co.	B. S. Harless, Smethport	1 3	....	....	....	....	3	....	1	115	1	1	8
*Clifton	1923	Co.	W. T. Miller, Clifton	2	2	....	....	3	....	....	....	14	2	....	1
Forest Home	1874	Co.	J. H. Ashley, Warrensville	2	1	....	1	....	....	....	....	33	1	1	....
Friendship	1880	Co.	E. F. Marsh. Jefferson	3	8	....	....	....	5	....	2	105	1	1	....
Healing Springs	1888	Co.	J. R. Ham, Crumpler	1	....	....	....	....	6	1	4	126	....	1	....
Glendale Springs	1914	Co.	W. C. Beshears, Reno	3	13	....	3	....	....	....	....	38	1	1	....
Jefferson	1888	T.	Ira T. Johnston, Jefferson	4	....	....	....	....	....	....	2	56	....	....	5
Landmark	1856	Co.	T. A. Jones, Grassy Creek	4	....	....	....	....	12	....	5	164	1	1	....
*Laurel Knob	1912	Co.	J. F. Pearson, Todd	1	9	1	....	2	....	....	1	94	1	....	3
Liberty Grove	1915	Co.	L. N. Keller, Garren	3	23	7	....	....	1	....	....	96	1	1	....
Liberty Hill	1907	Co.	J. H. Wagoner, Nathans Creek	1	1	....	....	....	8	2	2	52	2	1	2

Little Helton	1923	Co.	Chas. Hurley, Grassy Creek	2	5	3	8				1	46	1	1	1
Long Branch	1889	Co.	J. G. Welch, Lansing	3	9		3	15	N	1	4	66	1	1	2
Meadow View	1896	Co.	O. C. Barker, Grassy Creek	4						2		38		1	
Mission Home		Co.	J. F. Blackburn, Fleetwood	1		1			1		1	107		1	
*Mountain View		Co.	John Coldiron, Eldreth	1					1			34	1		
New River	1889	Co.	W. D. Brown, Weavers Ford	3	3	1			3		3	162	1	1	5
Obids	1892	Co.	H. M. Brown, Obids	4		2			6		1	71	1		
Old Fields	1803	Co.	E. F. Phillips, Idlewild	1	2	1			8		2	148	1		1
Orion	1911	Co.	J. F. Dillard, Jefferson	1		2						64		1	10
Peak Valley	1892	Co.	Mrs. J. E. Myers, Creston	3	4				2			62	1		1
Phoenix	1898	Co.	Mrs. F. L. Waddell, Bina	2	3	4	2			1	2	100	1	1	3
*Pilot Mountain		Co.	C. Tucker, Brownwood	3	2	3		1	1		1	59	1		1
*Pleasant Hill		Co.	Granvil Wyatt, Whitetop, Va.									46			
Pleasant Home	1870	Co.	W. E. Denney, Grassy Creek	4	5	5	3		5		5	100	1	1	
Pleasant Valley	1926	Co.	E. W. Phipps, Grassy Creek	1								16	1		
Smethport	1923	V.	Dennis Lewis, Smethport	2	17	2			3	2	1	78	2	1	
Tuckerdale	1916	V.	W. H. Darnell, Tuckerdale	2	6		2			2		81	1	1	
Valley Home	1914	Co.	D. R. Jones, Toliver	1	19	1		2	2			94	1	2	
West Jefferson	1916	T.	F. B. Jones, West Jefferson	All	23	16			5	3	2	160	1	2	15
Zion Hill		Co.										12			
Totals				208	57	23	26	65	23	44		2997	32		75

*Non-reporting churches. Last known statistics. J. G. Welch, Clerk of Ashe Association, Lansing, N. C.

TABLE NO. 2—CHURCH HOUSES AND PASTORS' HOMES, ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, YEAR 1926

Churches	When House Was Built	Material Used	Persons Seated	No. Rooms	Value of Church House and Grounds	Indebtedness on Property	Insurance Carried	Value of Pastors' Home	Total Value of all Church Property
*Apple Grove		Wood	250	1	$ 1000				$ 1000
Baptist Home	1890	Wood	300	1	400				400
Bald Mountain	1910	Wood	300	1	1300				1300
Beaver Creek	1891	Wood	400	1	400				400
Bethel	1922	Wood	300	1	3000				3000
Big Flats	1908	Wood	300	1	1200				1200
Big Laurel	1904	Wood	300	1	700				700
Bristol	1923	Wood	300	1	1000				1000
Buffalo	1869	Wood	250	1	700				700
Clifton		Wood	300	1	1000				1000
Forest Home	1874	Wood	200	1	500				500
Friendship	1880	Wood	400	1	1600				1600
Healing Springs	1880	Wood	300	1	1500				1500
Glendale Springs	1916	Wood	400	1	1500				1500
Jefferson	1885	Wood	250	1	1500				1500
Landmark	1856	Wood	400	1	2500				2500
Laurel Knob	1912	Wood	200	1	1000				1000
Liberty Grove	1915	Wood	300	1	1000			3500	4500
Liberty Hill	1910	Wood	300	1	450				450
Little Helton	1926	Wood	400	1	1000	200			800
Long Branch	1925	Wood	300	1	1500				1500
Long Branch	1915	Wood	250	1	700				700
Mission Home		Wood	300	1	600			3000	3600
*Mountain View	1900	Wood	200	1	700				700
New River	1889	Wood	400	1	1200				1200
Obids	1892	Wood	300	1	1000				1000
Old Fields		Wood	450	1	4000				4000
Orion	1911	Wood	300	1	1500				1500
Peak Valley	1892	Wood	400	1	600				600
Phoenix	1913	Wood	350	1	1000				1000
*Pilot Mountain		Wood	200	1	400				400
*Pleasant Hill		Wood	200	1	800				800
Pleasant Home	1898	Wood	250	1	2000				2000
Pleasant Valley	New	Church. No			Building				
Smethport	1925	Wood	250	1	800	100			700
Tuckerdale	1916	Wood	300	1	1500				1500
Valley Home	1917	Wood	250	1	1000				1000
West Jefferson	1916	Wood	400	1	2000		1500		2000
Zion Hill									
Total			11150	37	$34550	$300	$1500	$6500	$40750

*Non-reporting churches—last known statistics.

J. G. WELCH, Clerk Ashe Association, Lansing, N. C.

TABLE NO. 3—FINANCES—FOR THE SUPPORT OF A CIATION FOR THE YEAR 1926

Churches	Treasurer and Post Offire	Pastor's Salary
*Apple Grove		
Baptist Home	I. J. Sturgill, Parker	$ 71.25
Bald Mountain	W. L. Houck, Beaver Creek	251.10
Beaver Creek	L. H. Goodman, Bvr. Crk.	59.85
Bethel	C. W. Phillips, W. Jeff'son	60.00
Big Flats	R. A. Goodman, Fleetwood	60.00
Big Laurel	Earl Roten, Hemlock	60.00
Bristol	T. A. Johnson, Jefferson	59.60
Buffalo	Mrs. M. Campbell, B. Crk.	186.60
Clifton		
Forest Home	J. H. Ashley, Warrensville	63.00
Friendship	E. F. Marsh, Jefferson	82.00
Healing Springs	G. R. Ham, Crumpler	100.00
Glendale Springs	W. C. Beshears, Reno	35.00
Jefferson	F. W. Testerman, Jeff'son	129.85
Landmark	J. A. Jones, Grassy Cr.	96.90
Laurel Knob		
Liberty Grove	C. E. Howell, Todd	250.00
Liberty Hill	J. H. Wagoner, Nathans C.	9.25
Little Helton	Chas. Hurley, Grassy Cr.	76.60
Long Branch	J. G. Welch, Lansing	32.75
Meadow View		
Mission Home	J. C. Green, Fleetwood	46.00
Mountain View		
New River	W. D. Brown, W. Ford	105.75
Obids	H. M. Brown, Obids	52.00
Old Fields	E. F. Phillips, Idlewild	66.00
Orion	W. J. Bare, Jefferson	41.40
Peak Valley	Mrs. J. E. Tyree, Creston	27.15
Phoenix	Mrs. F. L. Waddell, Bina	106.40
Pilot Mountain		
Pleasant Hill		
Pleasant Home	L. P. Phipps, Grassy Cr.	42.50
Pleasant Valley	C. W. Phipps, Grassy Cr.	
Smethport	Joe Kemp, Smethport	60.00
Tuckerdale	W. H. Darnell, Tuckerdale	108.00
Valley Home	D. R. Jones, Toliver	79.08
West Jefferson	Hal Dogget, W. Jefferson	76.86
Zion Hill		
Totals		

LL LOCAL CHURCH WORK OF ASHE BAPTIST ASSO-

Other Salaries	Ministerial Help	Building and Repairing	Incidentals	Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Expenses	Local Poor	Minute Funds, etc.	Other Objects	Total for Support of Local Church Work
.....	$ 15.00	$ 4.00	$ 20.00	.....	$ 3.00	$ 0.50	.....	$ 113.75
.....	35.00	13.12	.....	13.44	.....	2.10	.....	314.76
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6.40	1.00	.....	67.25
23.00	.....	8.00	.....	4.11	.....	2.00	.....	97.11
.....	21.13	.....	.....	.....	40.00	1.50	.....	122.63
.....	36.85	.....	.....	4.00	2.68	1.00	2.00	106.53
.....	18.00	75.00	.....	.....	.....	2.00	.....	154.60
1.25	17.10	27.80	1.25	11.53	16.25	2.50	.....	263.88
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	5.00	.....	5.00	1.25	.....	74.25
.....	22.75	.....	.....	9.00	.....	3.00	.....	116.75
.....	.....	2.00	.....	10.88	.....	3.00	.....	115.88
.....	8.50	.....	.....	2.70	.....	1.45	.....	47.65
24.00	116.75	.....	17.00	10.08	.....	2.00	.....	299.68
.....	30.00	5.00	15.00	10.00	50.00	5.00	.....	211.90
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	11.91	13.00	.....	.....	274.91
.....	15.22	.....	.50	.....	.....	1.50	.....	26.74
.....	.....	.....	5.00	11.53	.....	2.35	.....	95.48
.....	60.00	135.00	10.00	5.00	.....	2.00	.....	244.75
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	50.00	7.84	15.10	1.50	.....	120.44
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	34.30	.....	.....	10.00	24.60	2.70	.....	187.35
.....	18.00	50.00	.....	.....	9.00	1.00	.....	130.00
.....	30.00	.....	7.60	4.95	.....	3.00	.....	111.55
12.50	.....	.....	.....	6.75	12.00	2.00	.....	74.65
.....	.....	.....	.....	11.45	.....	1.00	.....	39.60
27.75	.....	.....	25.00	12.00	.....	5.00	.....	176.15
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	3.00	16.10	.....	3.55	.....	65.15
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
20.00	.....	.....	.....	15.00	8.00	.25	.....	103.80
.....	63.00	.....	.....	12.00	15.00	3.00	.....	201.00
6.67	19.61	.....	1.20	8.38	.....	1.50	.....	116.44
.....	261.31	37.05	8.78	.....	.....	5.00	353.18	1433.18
.....	.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
115.17	$822.55	$346.97	$168.33	$208.65	$220.03	$66.20	$355.18	$5507.54

J. G. WELCH, Clerk of Ashe Baptist Association, Lansing.

TABLE NO. 4—FINANCE—FOR SUPPORT OF ALL MISSIONS, ETC., ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION—1926

Churches	State and Associational Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Hospitals	Orphanages	Foreign Relief	Denominational Total For all Missions, etc.	Grand Total, Local and Denominational
*Apple Grove								
Baptist Home	$ 1.25						$ 1.25	$115.00
Bald Mountain	86.33			5.38		24.05	115.76	430.52
Beaver Creek	48.50						48.50	115.75
Bethel	25.00					5.00	30.00	127.11
Big Flats	37.60	11.67			5.55	85.02	139.84	262.47
Big Laurel						3.40	3.40	109.93
Bristol								154.60
Buffalo	91.01				3.11	29.50	123.62	387.50
Clifton								
Forest Home			4.14		4.13	1.50	9.77	84.02
Friendship	27.25					8.00	35.25	152.00
Healing Springs	23.00					15.00	38.00	153.88
Glendale Springs					4.60		4.60	52.25
Jefferson	31.00						31.00	330.68
Landmark	50.00						50.00	261.90
*Laurel Knob								
Liberty Grove	27.00					13.06	40.06	314.97
Liberty Hill	22.00						22.00	48.47
Little Helton								95.48
Long Branch	25.00						25.00	269.75
*Meadow View								
Mission Home	102.00					72.45	174.45	294.89
*Mountain View								
New River	68.48					30.91	99.37	286.72
Obids								130.00
Old Fields	10.12						10.12	121.67
Orion	50.00						50.00	124.65
Peak Valley								39.60
Phoenix	50.00						50.00	226.15
*Pilot Mountain								
*Pleasant Hill								
Pleasant Home	16.25					16.50	32.75	97.90
**Pleasant Valley								
Smethport						2.65	2.65	106.45
Tuckerdale	30.00					5.00	35.00	236.00
Valley Home								116.44
West Jefferson	107.43			26.15	8.82	36.20	178.60	1611.78
Zion Hill	.50					.50		
Total	927.95	11.67	4.14	31.53	26.21	348.24	1349.74	6857.28

*Not represented. **No funds.

J. G. WELCH, Clerk of Ashe Association, Lansing, N. C.

CHURCH DIRECTORIES

Ordained Ministers In the Churches Of Ashe Association

Name and Address	Ch. of Which Member	Work
Barker, W. F., Grassy Creek	Landmark	Pastor
Blackburn, S. C., West Jefferson	West Jefferson	Pastor
Blevins, J. C., Grassy Creek	Pleasant Hill	Member
Blevins, L. W., Grassy Creek	Pleasant Hill	Member
Blackburn, M. D., Grassy Creek	Liberty Hill	Pastor
Blevins, Ezekiel, Grassy Creek	Landmark	Pastor
Burkett, R. M., Jefferson	Friendship	Pastor
Carlton, W. E., Baldwin, Md.	Ball Mountain	Member
Davis, John A., Hemlock	Big Laurel	Member
Denny, W. E., Grassy Creek	Landmark	Pastor
Denny, Lester, Silas Creek	Landmark	Pastor
Eller, E. A., Grassy Creek	Pleasant Home	Member
Haire, P. H., Fleetwood	Big Flats	Member
Hamby, J. M., Bina	Phoenix	Member
Hayes, T. M., Nathans Creek	Liberty Hill	Pastor
Howell, J. G., Jefferson	Landmark	Member
Hurley, Wm., Silas Creek	Landmark	Choir Director
Hodgson, J. F., Smethport	Buffalo	Pastor
Miller, Ed. O., Reno	Glendale	Member
Michael, W. H., Trade, Tenn.	Peak Valley	Pastor
Neves, J. M., Crumpler	New River	Member
Sexton, J. D., Edison	Long Branch	Pastor
Sexton, C. W., Lansing	Landmark	Pastor
Spencer, J. O., Grassy Creek	Pleasant Home	Pastor
Trivett, Roscoe, Creston	Peak Valley	Member
Trivett, J. S., Fleetwood	Big Flats	Pastor
Watson, G. M., Darby		Pastor
Watts, Finley C., Purlear		Pastor
Wilson, L. A., Boone		Pastor
Wilcox, Joe, Summit	Obids	Member
Winkler, H. M., Smethport		Pastor

F. W. TESTERMAN, Committee.

B. Y. P. U. Presidents and Addresses

Churches	Presidents of B. Y. P. U.	and P. O.
Landmark	Bryan Oliver	Silas Creek
West Jefferson	G. M. Gambill	West Jefferson

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TABLE V. SUNDAY SCHOOLS OF ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, 1926.

CHURCHES	Is it a Village, Town, City or Country Church?	SECRETARIES AND POST OFFICES	Sunday School Enrollment.									Special Information						
			Officers and Teachers	Beginners 3-5 Years	Primaries 6-8 Years.	Juniors 9-12 Years	Intermediates 13-16 Yrs.	Senior-Adult 17 and Up	Cradle Roll Under 3 Yrs	Home Department	Total Enrollment	What is Your Average Attendance?	Is school graded	Ii it standard A-1	Teochers Holding Diplomas	Baptisms from Sunday School	Gifts to Local Work	Gifts to Missions and Orphanages
													No	No	None			
Apple Grove	----	Not Represented														15		
Baptist Home	----	o Sunday School																
Bald Mountain	Co	W. L. Houck, Beaver Creek, N. C.	6								85	40						
Bethel	V	T. H. Brown Oval, N C.	5								75	43					4.11	
Big Flats	Co	Georgia Styke, Fleetwood, N. C.	7	12	8	14	25	20			86	40					16.29	
Big Laurel	Co	Miss Laura Barr, Hemlock, N. C.,	7								50	32					2.68	
Bristol	V	Not Given	6	7	10	8	12	11			54	38						
Buffalo	Co	Elizabeth Ray, Smethport, N, C.	5	8		12		16			36	20					11.53	7.95
Clifton	----	Not Represented																
Forest Home	----	No Sunday School,																
Friendship	Co	Foster Brown, Jefferson, N. C.	7								82	50					7.43	
Healing Springs	Co		8	15	13	10	16	14			78	68						
Glendale Springs	V	J. D. Winkler, Glendale Springs, N. C.	5								75	28						
Jefferson	T	Miss Blanche Badger, Jefferson. N. C..	5	2	8	3	8	10			36	20					29.00	
Landmark	Co	Dora Baldwin, Grassy Creek, N. C.	8								75	50					10.00	11.75
Laurel Knob	----	Not Represented																
Liberty Grove	Co	Viola Miller, Brownwood, N. C.	6								87	45						13.06
Liberty Hill	----	Not Represented																
Little Helton	Co	Tincie B'evins, Grassy Creek, N. C.	7	10		9	16	18	8		67	55						
Long Branch	Co	Ruth Welch, Lansing, N. C.	5	12		10		15			42	52						
Meadow View	----	Not Represented													1	9		

Mission Home	V	J. F. Blackburn, Fleetwood, N. C.	6	6	20	8	10	12			62	35	No	No			28.25			No
Mountain View		Not Represented										50								
New River	Co	Crystal Porter, Mouth of Wilson, Va...	6	19		27	31	29			112	50	"	"					1.40	"
Obids	Co	J. H Colvard, Obids, N. C.	6								45	30								
Old Fields	Co	H. O. Baker, Idlewild, N C.	5								75	40	"	"						"
Orion	Co	Jesse Dillard, Jefferson, N. C.	5	8	5	10	15	8			50	30	"	"						"
Peak Valley	Co	Marion Monday, Creston, N. C.	6	8	12	15	7	15	4		67	48					15.76			"
Phoenix	V	Inez King, Bina, N. C.	7								75	30								"
Pilot Mountain	Co	Not Represented																		
Pleasant Hill	Co	Not Represented																		
Pleasant Home	Co	J. T. Sturgill, Grassy Creek, N. C.	7	15		17	26	16			81	42	"	"		None				"
Pleasant Valley	Co	Arbie Stuart, Grassy Creek, N. C.	7								80	50	"	"		"				"
Smethport	V	Dennis Lewis, Smethport, N, C	5								60	35	"	"		"				"
Tuckerdale	V	Miss Rosetta Powers, Tuckerdale, N.C.	6	7	10	14		14			51	30	"	"		"				"
Valley Home	Co	L. M Roark, Toliver, N C.	5	16	17			30			69	35	"	"		5				"
West Jefferson	T	Miss Bobbie Jones, West Jefferson, N.C.	14	29	31		27	52	17		156	77	"	"		None	86.23	29.90		,,
Zion Hill	Co	Not Represented																		
Total			172	174	134	157	193	280	29		1929	1086			1	29	211.28	64.05		

J. G. WELCH, Clerk of Ashe Baptist Association, Lansing, North Carolina.

Table No. VI. B. Y. P. U. Work in Churches of Ashe Baptist Association for 1926.

*CHURCHES	Adult Unions	Senior Unions	Intermediate Unions	Junior Unions	Total Unions	No. Standard Unions	Adults Enrolled	Seniors Enrolled	Int. Enrolled	Juniors Enrolled	Total Enrolled	No. Daily Bible Readers.	Unions Taking Study Course	Total Systematic Givers In All Unions.
Landmark	--	--	--	--	1	--	--	--	--	--	50	----	----	----
West Jefferson	--	1	--	--	1	--	--	--	--	--	32	----	----	----
Total	--	1	--	--	2	--	--	--	--	--	82	----	----	----

*No other churches have B.Y.P.U. work in Ashe Association. All blank Items not given, no record.

J. G. WELCH Clerk of Ashe Association, Lansing, N. C.

Table No. VII. Woman's Work in Churches of Ashe Baptist Association for 1926.

*CHURCHES	No. Womens Missionary Societies.	No. of Y.W.A's	No. of G. A's	No. of R.A's	No. of Sunbeams	Total Enrolled All W M. U. Organizations.	Total Enrolled in Mission Studies	Gifts to Local Church Work.	Gifts to Missions and Benovelences.	Total Gifts All Purposes
Ball Mountain	1	--	--	--	--	1	11	------	3.00	3.00
Beaver Creek	1	--	--	--	--	1	5	------	25.00	25.00
Big Flats	1	--	--	--	1	2	12	61.31	69.92	131.23
Big Laurel	----	--	--	--	----	----	----	20.00	------	20.00
Buffalo	1	--	--	--	--	1	9	------	5.61	5.61
Landmark	1	--	--	--	--	1	15	20.00	------	20.00
New River	1	--	--	--	--	1	10	------	------	----
West Jefferson	1	1	--	--	--	2	51	------	26.44	26.44
Total	7	1	--	--	1	9	113	101.31	129.97	231.28

*Churches here given are all that reported these organizations. All blank spaces no report given.

J. G. WELCH, Clerk of AsheBaptist Association, Lansing, North Carolina.

HISTORICAL TABLE OF ASHE ASSOCIATION 1922-26 INCLUSIVE

Date of Each Annual Meeting.	Place of Each Annuall Meeting	Moderator of Each Annual Meeting	Clerk of Each Annual Meeting	Introductory Sermon by Whom Preached
Ang. 31-Sept. 1, 1922	Bethel	Prof. J. C. Goodman	J. W. Duncan	Rev. S. C. Blackburn
August 30-31, 1923	Healing Springs	Prof. J. C. Goodman	W. C. Johnston	Rev. H. T. Penry
August 29-30, 1924	Tuckerdale	Prof. J. C. Goodman	W. C. Johnston	Rev. T. M. Hayes
August 28-29, 1925	West Jefferson	Prof. J. C. Goodman	J. G. Welch	Rev. J. A. Brandell
August 27-28, 1926	Orion	Prof. J. C. Goodman	J. G. Welch	Dr. Chas. E. Maddry

TREASURER'S REPORT

Received of Finance Committee:			
Co-Operative Program, undesignated		$107.50	
Minutes Funds		66.20	
Orphanage		19.05	
Home Missions		4.14	
Paid to F. B, Hamrick			$ 19.05
" " Walters Durham			4.14
" " Printing Minutes			61.20
" " Walters Durham			107.50
		$196.89	$191.89
Balance,	$5,00		

CHURCH DIRECTORIES

Sunday School Superintendents

Churches	Superintendents and Postoffices	
Baptist Home	W. L. Houck	Beaver Creek
Bethel	J. W. Woodard	Ashland
Big Flats	T. H. Brown	Oval
Ball Mountain	R. C. Parsons	Todd
Big Laurel	Mrs. Mattie Roten	Hemlock
Buffalo	B. S. Harless	Smethport
Friendship	Carol Burkett	Jefferson
Healing Springs	J. F. Phipps	Crumpler
Glendale	E. C. Severt	Wagoner
Jefferson	James Haire	Jefferson
Landmark	Bryan Oliver	Silas Creek
Liberty Grove	J. P. Howell	Garren
Little Helton	Lovelace	Grassy Creek
Long Branch	J. G. Welch	Lansing
Mission Home	J. C. Greene	Fleetwood
New River	W. P. Colvard	Grassy Creek
Old Fields	J. E. Cheek	Idlewild
Obids		
Orion	W. J. Bare	Jefferson
Peak Valley	Joe Tyree	Creston
Phoenix	E. C. Eller	Bina
Pleasant Home	R. A. Stephen	Grassy Creek
Smethport	P. S. Bumgarner	Smethport
Tuckerdale	Miss Sue Powers	Tuckerdale
Valley Home	Velt Turner	Toliver
West Jefferson	J. R. Campbell	West Jefferson

W. M. U. Presidents and Addresses

Churches	Name and Address of Presidents	
Bald Mountain	Mrs. M. E. Hardin	Beaver Creek
Beaver Creek	Mrs. J. O. Goodman	Beaver Creek
Big Flats	Mrs. F. L. Houck	Fleetwood
Buffalo	Miss Myrtle Campbell	Beaver Creek
Landmark	Mrs. Martha Blevins	Grassy Creek
New River	Mrs. Ida DeBoard	Grassy Creek
West Jefferson	Mrs. F. C. Nye	West Jefferson

Leader of Sunbeams

Churches	Name and Address	
Big Flats	Mrs. Laura Parsons	Garen

The Woman's Missionary Union

The business session of the Ashe County Woman's Missionary Union was called to order in its annual meeting at the Wet Jefferson Baptist church on July 20th, with Mrs. J. O. Goodman, Superintendent, in the chair.

"Revive Us Again" was sung and Mrs. Goodman led the devotional exercises.

An address of welcome was given by Mrs. J. W. Gambill, of West Jefferson; response by Mrs. Wade Vannoy, of Beaver Creek.

Representatives from Beaver Creek, Bald Mountain, Buffalo, Mission Home, and West Jefferson societies were present.

Report of Secretary and Treasurer by Mrs. B. E. Reeves, after which the annual address of the Superintendent was given. An inspiring address was given by Mrs. Edna Harris. The Round Table discussion led by Mrs. K. D. Stukenbrok on Standard of Excellence, which contained many helpful suggestions along all lines of the work, was greatly enjoyed by all.

Among thev isitors present was Dr. Sanders, a returned Missionary from China, who ably discussed the conditions and mission work of that country; also Prof. S. J. Honeycutt, principal of Mountain View Institute, discussed the advantages as well as the needs of this useful institute of learning. The program being concluded, the union held a short business session.

At the suggestion of Mrs. Stukenbrok a motion was made and carried that quarterly meetings be held at the various churches of the Association during the coming year.

Reports of various committees were read and passed on. The following officers were appointed for the ensuing year: Superintendent, Mrs. J. O. Goodman; assistant superintendent, Mrs. S. C. Blackburn; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. George Oliver; Mission Study leader, Mrs. B. E. Reeves; Young Peoples' leader, Mrs. F. C. Nye; Personal Service leader, Mrs. Hal Doggett.

The committee on Time and Place for next year's meeting agreed on Beaver Creek church, June, 1927.

The meeting was brought to a close by a most inspiring prayer by Rev. S. C. Blackburn.

MRS. B. E. REEVES,
Secretary and Treasurer.

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Buffalo Baptist Church, Near Smethport, N. C.

Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, August 26, 27, and 28, 1927

J. C. Goodman, Beaver Creek, Moderator

J. G. Welch, Lansing, Clerk

FRIDAY MORNING, AUGUST 26

10:00—Introductory Sermon, Rev. J. O. Spencer.
10:30—Election of Officers.
10:45—Announcements by Moderator.
10:50—Reception of Churches and Visitors.
11:00—Appointment of Committees.
11:15—Co-operative Program:
(a)—Report of State Missions.
(b)—Report on Home Missions.
(c)—Report on Foreign Missions.
12:30—Adjournment for Lunch—Everybody Bring Baskets.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, AUGUST 26

1:30—Report on Christian Education.
2:00—Announcements of Homes for Messengers and Visitors.
2:15—Miscellaneous.
2:30—Sermon, Rev. M. A. Adams.

FRIDAY NIGHT, AUGUST 26

7:45—Pastors' Conference on Evangelism.
8:45—Sermon on Evangelism, Rev. W. E. Denney.

SATURDAY MORNING, AUGUST 27

9:00—Devotional, Rev. H. M. Winkler.
9:30—Report on Baptist Hospital.
10:00—Report on Orphanage.
10:30—Roll Call of Churches for Pledges.
11:00—Report on Biblical Recorder.
11:30—Sermon, Rev. W. R. Bradshaw.
12:15—Adjournment for Lunch—Everybody Bring Baskets.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON, AUGUST 27

1:30—Report on Pastors' Salaries.
2:30—Report on Old Ministers' Relief.
2:30—Report on Temperance.
3:00—Report of Finance Committee.
3:15—Report on Digest of Church Letters.

SATURDAY NIGHT, AUGUST 27

7:45—Pastors' Conference on Enlistment.

8:30—Sermon on Enlistment, Rev. R. M. Burkett.
9:00—Sermon on Enlistment, Rev. J. D. Sexton.

SUNDAY MORNING, AUGUST 28

9:30—Devotional, Rev. G. L. Trivett.
10:00—Report on Sunday Schools and B. Y. P. U.
10:45—Report on Place for Next Meeting.
10:50—Report of Committee on Resolutions.
11:00—Sermon, Training Young Yeople for Church, Rev. S. C. Blackburn.
12:15—Adjournment.

IRA T. JOHNSTON, Chairman,
J. C. GREENE,
J. W. BARR,
W. T. HARLESS,
J. F. DILLARD,
Executive Committee.

This Page Is Dedicated To the Memory Of Our Comrades Who Have Answered the Last Roll Call Since August, 1925

Bald Mountain—
Mrs. Laura Holman.

Big Laurel—
Rev. W. H. Glenn,
Mrs. Frank Greer,
Mrs. James Kilby,
Mrs. Sollie Davis.

Bristol—
Mr. Irvin Dickson.

Friendship—
Mr. A. M. Dixon,
Mrs. Polly Bare.

Jefferson—
Mr. R. F. Gentry,
Mrs. Lucy Graybeal,

Land Mark—
Mr. Elisha Hurley,
Mr. James Blevins,
Mrs. Eula P. Dodson,
Miss Lula Hurley,
Mr. Webb Howell.

Liberty Hill—
Mr. W. W. Parlier,
Mr. J. P. Shepherd,

Little Helton—
Mrs. Dora Blevins.

Mission Home—
Mrs. Mary Pope.

New River—
Mr. Frank Phipps,
Mrs. Cyntha Hash,
Mrs. Ina Pugh.

Old Field—
Mrs. H. M. Blackburn
Mr. W. M. Gentry.

Obids—
Mrs. Ellie Burgess.

Phoenix—
Mr. A. M. Childers,
Mr. James Eller.

Pleasant Home—
Mrs. Ellen Eller,
Mr. J. C. Pasley,
Mrs. C. DeBoard,
Miss Alice DeBoard.

Smethport—
Ervin Dixon.

West Jefferson—
Lee Blevins,
I. C. Hudler.

Obituaries

MRS. ELLEN ELLER

Mrs. Ellen Eller, wife of Rev. Jacob Eller, was born March 24, 1832, died October 21, 1925. This union was blessed with eight children. She professed faith in Christ early in youth and lived a life of service and usefulness.

WEBB HOWELL

Webb Howell was born August 19, 1894, died March 11, 1926. He married Dora Dickson and they two were blessed with seven loving children. He was converted in 1916 and joined Landmark church, living faithful to the same until death.

ETTIE BURGESS

Ettie Burgess, daughter of Frederick and Louisa Michael, was born February 21, 1867, died January 21, 1926. She became a Christian early in life. She want into the organization of Obids church in 1892, and lived a faithful member of same until her spirit took its flight to regions of delight. Her friends miss her presence and advice.

A precious one from us has gone;
A voice we loved is stilled.
A place is vacant in our home,
Which never can be filled.
God in His wisdom has recalled
The boon His love had given,
And though the body slumbers here,
The soul is safe in Heaven.

LULA MAE HURLEY

Lula Mae Hurley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Hurley, was born May 17, 1895. After her stay of 30 years, 4 months, and 10 days, the angel saw fit to carry her spirit to God, who gave it. She professed faith in Christ in 1910, and joined Landmark church; was baptized by Rev. Elihu Tucker, and lived faithful until death.

REV. JACOB ELLER

Rev. Jacob Eller was born May 19, 1832, died July 23, 1899. He became a Christian early in life and was called as a spokesman for the Master. He was ordained to the ministry and was instrumental in the salvation of many souls. He was a faithful watchman on Zion's wall, and while a member of Pleasant Home church, the Lord, in His goodness, saw fit to call Brother Eller to rest from all his labors.

MARY ANN BURKETT

Mary Ann Burkett was born September 4, 1854, and lived to the good old age of 71 years, 10 months and 7 days. She was married to J. E. Pope March 24, 1878, professed a hope in Christ and joined Mount Pleasant church. Later she joined Mission Home Baptist church, where she lived faithful and true to the Master. She read the Testament through 42 times, which, through her consecration, was the secret of her godly life. She leaves a daughter, husband, and many friends to mourn her loss.

JOHN ASHLEY

John Ashley, son of J. M. and Mary Ashley, was born September 18, 1861, died February 5, 1926. He was converted about 25 years ago and joined Landmark Baptist church. He lived a faithful Christian until God called him home. On March 20, ?....., he was married to Vena Stewart. To them were born two girls and two boys. After much suffering he left many friends to mourn his loss. By the life he lived, we feel he is now living in the presence of the Lord, where the soul of man never dies.

JAMES ELLER

The span of life of James Eller, extending from June 25, 1828, to March 19, 1926, was filled with many and varied events. But services to the Baptist denomination filled a large part of his life. From December 4, 1897, when James Eller joined New Hope Baptist church, in Wilkes county, until his death, almost four score years later, he was an active member. He was president of the convention which organized the New River association. He was one of the chief promoters of the organization of the Ashe and Alleghany Association in 1886. He was vice-president of this association for many years. For three years he served as moderator of the Ashe Association, of which he was vice-president at the time of his death. Besides, he was frequently a delegate to Baptist State conventions, and member of the State Board of Missions. He helped to found several Baptist churches which later formed the heart of Baptist organization in this mountain section. His wife, formerly Mary Ann Carlton, whom he married on October 24, 1849, was a worthy companion of his labors. Her death on August 30, 1924, came just short of their seventy-fifth wedding anniversary. This wonderful couple raised a wonderful family in Ashe county. They have left sons with an abiding interest in the work of the church. Their works

live after them. Phoenix church, the Association, and the section round about, have felt the impress of their godly lives. They have received their crowns of righteousness from the Righteous Judge. The Ashe Association owes more to James Eller than to any other one man. Let it be true to his memory by going forward in hearty co-operation with the organized forces of the Baptist denomination and thus pay to James Eller as one of its founders the greatest tribute he would choose.

RICHARD F. GENTRY

In the death of Richard F. Gentry, Jefferson Baptist church lost a devoted member. For many years he served as deacon. The church was grieved by his untimely death at the age of fifty-one. Brother Gentry always did more than his part for the church. His home was always open to its ministers. He loved its doctrines and lived by its teachings. Moving his church membership to Jefferson from Sparta, he labored to keep the work going in the old church his father had helped to build. The words of the poet sum up beautifully Brother Gentry's life and character:

"Let me live in a house by the side of the road as the race
of men go by,
The men who are good and the men who are bad,
Wise, foolish, so am I;
Then why should I sit in the scoffer's seat or hurl the
cynic's ban?
Let me live in a house by the side of the road,
And be a friend to man."

MRS. EULA PRICE DOTSON

Mrs. Eula Ray Price Dotson passed to her reward on Tuesday morning, October 27, 1925. She was born March 3, 1900, and departed this life October 27, 1925. Age 25 years, 7 months, and 24 days. She leaves two children and many friends to mourn her loss. She became a Christian early in life, joined Landmark church and took an active part in church work. Eula was warned that she would not live to be over 30 years old and expressed regret of having to leave her children. When dying she pointed her friends to the upward way where she expected to meet mother in Heaven.

DORIS BLEVINS

Dora Blevins was born October 10, 1864, died November 6, 1925. She married James Blevins in 1880 and were

blessed with eight children. She knew Christ early in life, and made the church her home. Loved and respected by all, she passed to her reward.

REASON BALDWIN

Reason Baldwin was born October 6, 1864, died May 25, 1926. He married Martha Brooks in 1892 and has 12 living children. Brother Baldwin professed faith in Christ and joined Landmark Baptist church. He was faithful to his home and family.

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

NORTH CAROLINA

FORTY-FIRST ANNUAL SESSION

HELD WITH

BUFFALO BAPTIST CHURCH

August 26, 27, 28, 1927

Near Smethport, North Carolina

The Next Session Will Be Held With Landmark Baptis Church, Nine Miles North-east of Jefferson; Beginning The Last Friday In 1928. Three Days Session.

1927

DIRECTORY OF ASSOCIATION

Officers

Prof. J. C. Goodman, Moderator.....Beaver Creek, N. C.
H. A. Eller, Vice-President .....Bina, N. C.
Bryan Oliver, Clerk and Treausrer.....Grassy Creek, N. C.

Executive Committee and Board of Missions

Ira T. Johnston, Chairman ..... Jefferson, N. C.
J. C. Greene .....Fleetwood, N. C.
W. T. Harless ..... Beaver Creek, N. C.
J. W. Barr ..... Bina, N. C.
J. F. Dillard ..... Orion, N. C.

Member State Mission Board

Ira T. Johnston ..... Jefferson, N. C.

Standing Committees to Report in 1928

State Missions—A. Dell Goodman, Beaver Creek, N. C.
Home Missions—H. A. Eller, Bina, N. C.
Foreign Missions—Rev. J. O. Spencer, Grassy Creek, N. C. Prof. J. F. Phipps, Crumpler, N. C.
Sunday Schools—C. L. Grace and Clinton Brown, Weavers Ford, N. C.
Biblical Recorder—J. C. Goodman, Beaver Creek, N. C.
Hospital—Rev. S. C. Blackburn, West Jefferson, N. C.
Christian Education—Prof. F. C. Nye, West Jefferson, N. C.; Prof. G. H. Hatfield, Grassy Creek, N. C.
Pastorial Support—J. A. Weaver, West Jefferson, N. C.
B. Y. P. U.—D. C. Severt, West Jefferson, N. C.
W. M. U.—Mrs. F. C. Nye, West Jefferson, N. C.
Obituaries—J. W. Duncan, Beaver Creek, N. C.

There are no other Auxiliary Officers.

List of Messengers in 1927 Session

APPLE GROVE—H. A. Miller, S. N. Howell, Mrs. Rettie Nance.
BALD MOUNTAIN—W. L. Houck, W. L. Campbell, C. W. Campbell.
BAPTIST HOME—M. L. Sturgill, Q. R. Brown, E. J. Brown.
BEAVER CREEK—Will Stuart, Mrs. J. O. Goodman, J. O. Goodman.
BETHEL—Glen Phillips, D. A. Goodman, L. C. Winebarger.
BIG LAUREL—Mattie Roten.
BIG FLATS—F. L. Houck, G. L. Greer, Fred Greene.
BRISTOL—W. A. Wallace, Delos Dickson, Mrs. Annie Shatley.
BUFFALO—Ballard Harless, Garfield Hodson, Miss Myrtle Campbell.
CLIFTON—Nathan Richardson, K. L. Eller, W. T. Miller.
FRIENDSHIP—T. K. Luther, G. C. Burkett, Foster Brown.
GLENDALE SPRINGS—Gordon Miller, George Miller, Gordon Severt.

GRASSY CREEK—W. A. Blackburn.
HEALING SPRINGS—W. H. McMillan, L. W. Baker, G. R. Ham.
JEFFERSON—Ira T. Johnston, S. A. Campbell, Mrs. F. W. Testerman.
LANDMARK—J. C. Denny, Bryan Oliver, A. P. Barker.
LAUREL KNOB—T. W. Grubb, F. N. Stephens, G. S. Holman.
LIBERTY GROVE—Represented by letter.
LIBERTY HILL—L. D. Roupe, T. E. Dixon, J. H. Wagoner.
LITTLE HELTON—Chas. Hurley, Lee Waddell, John Ball.
LONG BRANCH—Herbert Powers, Reuben Sexton.
MISSION HOME—J. E. Johnston, W. H. Tomlinson, J. F. Blackburn.
NEW RIVER—J. R. Roupe, W. P. Colvard, W. D .Brown.
OAK HILL—W. R. Blackburn, G. W. Blevins, Jackson Barker.
OLD FIELDS—R. E. Phillips, E. F. Phillips, J. E. Chief.
ORION—Walter, Dillard, Lee Bower, Jesse Bear.
MOUNTAIN VIEW—Represented by letter.
PEAK VALLEY—D. C. Michael, T. C. Munday, M. W. Munday.
PHOENIX—J. Q. Childers, J. T. King, C. A. Eller.
PILOT MOUNTAIN—John C. Phillips.
PLEASANT HILL—G. R. Miller, Arthur Hart, E. Roop.
PLEASANT HOME—C. N. Deboard, J. J. Pierce, Judson Blevins.
PLEASANT VALLEY—Blaine Phipps, E. W. Phipps, G. C. Brinegar.
SMETHPORT—P. S. Bumgarner, John Day, Dennis Lewis.
TUCKERDALE—Mrs. Nannie Tucker, Mrs. Lessie Anderson, Wade H. Darnell.
VALLEY HOME—L. M. Roark, James Reed, B. R. Jones.
WEST JEFFERSON—J. M. Hamby, H. C. Tucker, George B. Doggett.

CONSTITUTION

NAMES

Article 1. This body shall be called the Ashe Association.

OBJECTS

Article 2. The object of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the gospel in our bounds, and in all the world, and in this work the Association will co-operate with the Baptist Convention of North Carolina.

MEMBERSHIP

Article 3. The members of this body shall be all the ordained ministers of the churches of this Association, and three delegates from each church, who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment and giving statistics of the membership and work of the church.

ORGANIZATION

Article 4. At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer in such a way as the Association may direct. The last two offices may be held by the same brother.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Article 5. The Moderator shall preside at all meetings, preserve order, appoint committees, and perform such duties as are required of presiding officers.

Article 6. The Clerk shall keep a correct record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing and distribution to the churches, the proceedings of the body.

Article 7. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent to the Association to pay them out as the Association may direct and make a report at each annual session.

TIME AND PLACE

Article 8. The Association shall hold an annual meeting at such time and place as may be agreed upon.

APPOINTMENTS

Article 9. At each annual meeting there shall be appointed an executive committee of five brethren who shall look after the destitution in the bounds of this Association, and co-operate with the State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention, making to the next session a report of the work done and all the general State Mission work.

Article 10. The Association shall convene annually on the last Friday in August. At each annual session there shall be appointed committees to make reports to the ensuing session, on the following subjects, to-wit: State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Pastoral Support, Ministerial Education, Baptist Orphanage, Biblical Recorder, Temperance, Digest of Church Letters, Fi-

nance, Place and Preacher for next Association and Baptist Hospital.

ORDER OF RELIGIOUS EXERCISES

Article 11. Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

Article 12. In addition to the introductory sermon, the committee on religious exercises shall arrange at least one other sermon each day the Association is in session and all business shall be suspended while the sermon is being delivered; but no sermon shall be scheduled while the Association is engaged in a business session.

PEROGATIVES

Article 13. The Association will not retain in permanent fellowship any church that retains in its fellowship any member who is disorderly in doctrine or practice, or who makes, sells or in any way deals in ardent spirits as a beverage.

CONSTITUTION—HOW AMENDED

Article 14. This Constitution may be amended by a vote of two thirds of the members present at any annual session.

Abstract of Principles

1st. We believe in only one true and living God, and that there are three persons in the God-head, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, and that these three are one.

2nd. We believe that the Bible, the new and old Testaments, is the Word of God and the only rule of faith and practice.

3rd. We believe in the impotency of man and the sovreignty of God.

4th. We believe that salvation is by Grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5th. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ to be practiced only by believers in their spiritual order.

6th. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator, and that those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and doctrine, should take the Lord's Supper.

7th. We believe in the final preseverance of the saints in grace to glory.

8th. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment.

9th. We believe that the existence of the righteous and the wicked will both be of eternal duration, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

Rules of Order

1st. Every session shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2nd. When the Moderator calls the house to order, every member shall at once take his seat.

3rd. When a member wishes to speak he shall rise and address the Moderator, and not proceed till he is recognized.

4th. No member shall speak more than twice on any subject except by permission of the body.

5th. No member shall leave the body during the session without permission of the Moderator.

6th. It shall be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold private conversation while any person is speaking.

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
Ashe Missionary Baptist Association
HELD WITH
BUFFALO BAPTIST CHURCH
Near Smethport, N. C.
FIRST DAY
Friday, August 26th, 10 A. M.

1st. The Ashe Association met in its 41st annual session with Buffalo Baptist Church Friday, August 26, at 10 A. M.

2nd. Rev. S. C. Blackburn led the Association in song and worship, after which Rev. J. O. Spencer preached on the subject, "Vision and Service;" text, Acts 10:19 and Proverbs 29:8.

3rd. On motion of Ira T. Johnston the Association elected Prof. J. C. Goodman Moderator, and Bryan Oliver Clerk and Treasurer, by acclamation.

4th. Call for new churches. Grassy Creek and Oak Hill handed in letters and were received into the body.

5th. The reference in regard to the watch-care of Smethport and Pleasant Valley churches was taken up. The committee reported that all matters in question had been satisfactorily settled and that they knew no reason why they should not be admitted to the body. On motion the churches were received into full fellowship.

6th. The Moderator appointed the following committees:

(1) Obituaries—J. W. Duncan.

(2) Finance—Dell Goodman, J. E. Johnston, C. W. Sexton.

(3) Resolutions—Ira T. Johnston, T. K. Luther, H. M. Winkler.

(4) E. Z. Sexton, W. L. Campbell, Dell Goodman.

(5) Place and Preacher—Delegates from West Jefferson, Grassy Creek, Valley Home, Landmark, Liberty Grove and Apple Grove.

(6) Replacement—Delegates and pastor of Buffalo church.

7th. Upon invitation of the Moderator the following visitors were seated with the body:

Rev. J. F. Hodgson and wife, Emma Toon, from Lebanon Association; Rev. R. E. Caudill, Rev. N. C. Teague, representing Mountain View Institute, and J. L. Hemphill, of Brushy Mountain Association; H. L. Coffee, of the Alleghany Association; J. A. McKaughan, representing

the Biblical Recorder and organized missions; and P. C. Stringfield, representing Christian education, of Buncombe Association.

8th. A roll call of standing committees was made and the committee on Home and Foreign Missions being absent Rev. J. A. McKaughan was appointed to supply same.

9th. Report on State Missions was submitted by Bower H. Duncan, read by Rev. S. C. Blackburn, and adopted by the body.

Report on State Missions

Ever since the day the Baptist State Convention was organized, March 26, 1830, at Greenville, with 14 members, its avowed purpose has been to give the Gospel to North Carolina, and then to all the world. How successfully the founders of the Convention and their successors have wrought may be seen by the following comparisons:

In 1830 there were only 15,000 Baptists in North Carolina, white and colored. There are now 375,767 white Baptists alone, and aproximately 240,000 negro Baptists, making a total of around 600,000 or about 48 church members out of every 100 in North Carolina are Baptists. There is not a county in the State and scarcely a town of any size without a Baptist church. However, in many places the Baptist cause needs strengthening. The first year the Convention met it reported $700.00 for Missions and Education, the two objects to which it contributed. Last year contributions to all benevolent objects, including Orphanage, amounted to $737,317.

Not until 40 years ago, when Columbus Durham became Corresponding Secretary, devoting all of his time to the work, did the Baptist cause gain momentum. For 7 years, Dr. Durham threw himself into the work with the zeal of the early disciples. Then came John E. White for 5 years, followed by L. Johnson for 15 progressive years, when the cause went forward by leaps and bounds. Then came Walter N. Johnson for 5 years, during which period the 75 Million Campaign was launched and new financial levels were reached, which we have not been able to attain since. For the past seven and a half years Charles E. Maddry has directed in a masterly way the affairs of the Board as its executive head, being now the General Secretary of the General Board. He has associated with him in the direction of the State Mission Department A. C. Hamby, Mars Hill, and Walter Gilmore, Raleigh.

Notwithstanding the appropriation for State Missions has been reduced each year for the past four, from $146,000 to $132,000, then to $92,000, and then to $77,000 for this year, there is a debt of around $60,000 on the running account of State Missions. Still more drastic cuts will be made next year unless there is a marked increase in the income of the Board. This would be suicidal to all

the work; for it is only as we strengthen the stakes at home that we can hope to lengthen the cords to the ends of the earth.

The Board is helping to sustain this year 87 missionary pastors who are serving 147 churches. The report at our last Convention showed 118 missionaries serving 200 churches, organizing 11 new churches, receiving by baptism 1,921, and 1,740 by letter and othrwise.

The task ahead of us in North Carolina is to evangelize 600,000 people over ten years of age who are not Christians; to enlist in all the work of the kingdom the 250,000 members who are doing nothing; to train for effective leadership our young people; to bring about a great revival of Christian stewardship. When this is done the Kingdom of God will come in a day. 23 cents out of each dollar given to the Co-operative Program will be devoted to the promotion of our State Mission work.

Respectfully submitted,
B. H. DUNCAN, Committee.

10th. Report on Baptist Co-operative Program was submitted by J. A. McKaughan, read by Ira T. Johnston and adopted by the body.

The Baptist Co-operative Program

The General Board of the Baptist State Convention at its June meeting adopted $600,000 as the goal for North Carolina Baptists to raise in 1928 for all the objects included in the Co-operative Program, except the Orphanage.

This objective is to be divided equally between State-wide and South-wide objects as follows:

Statewide Objects

Out of each dollar given, unless otherwise designated, the objects will receive the following amounts:

State Missions	23 cents
Baptist Schools	23 cents
Baptist Hospital	4 cents
Total	50 cents

Southwide Objects

Foreign Missions	25 cents
Home Missions	11¼ cents
Theological Seminaries	8¼ cents
Ministers Relief	4½ cents
New Orleans Hospital	1 cent
Total	50 cents

In co-operation with the other associations in the State we recommend that this association adopt the above ratio of division of its funds and that it set as its goal for 1928 $....., which is

a little more than the association raised for the objects included in the Co-operative Program for 1926; that this amount be apportioned upon as fair and equitable a basis as possible among all of the churches of the association by the Executive Committee of the association, or by a special committee; and that each church endeavor to raise its objective by making an every member canvass Dec. 4-11, the South-wide date set, or at such other time as may seem best, or to raise it by some other method adopted by the church.

In order that this Every-member Canvass be successful, we would recommend further that the most thorough and prayerful preparation be made, beginning several weeks in advance, giving information about the objects included in the Program, and thoroughly indoctrinating the people with the idea of stewardship.

We also recommend that a Mission Leader be elected to represent this association in its dealing with the general State organization, and that this Mission Leader, in co-operation with the Executive Committee of the Association or a special Mission Committee to be appointed, communicate with each local church and try to effect a simple organization consisting of a Mission Leader and a Mission Committee of four others at least, and to co-operate with this committee in every possible way in putting on and successfully carrying through the Co-operative Program for 1928.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. McKAUGHAN.

11th. Rev. J. A. McKaughan addressed the Association in regard to the work of the State Mission Board and our Co-operative Program.

12th. On motion adjourned until 1:30 P. M. Prayer by Rev. N. C. Teague.

Friday Afternoon Session, 1:30 P. M.

13th. The Association was opened by singing and prayer by Rev. C. W. Sexton.

14th. The report on Christian Education was submitted and read by Ira T. Johnston. After a discussion by Ira T. Johnston was adopted.

Report on Christian Education

It is the prophecy of many that within a generation the denominational schools will have perished, or will have been converted into state or non-sectarian institutions. This tendency is already apparent in that many denominational secondary schools have passed away within the past few years.

At the last meeting of the General Board of the Baptist State Convention the question of the denominational schools received serious consideration, and the matter of centering attention upon a few and giving up the others was discussed and recommended. It is difficult to say where this slaughter of church schools will end.

Perhaps slaughter is not the proper word, as most of them are being discontinued on account of lack of the proper support.

This is a matter which should give to all Baptists serious concern. Our denomination stands firmly for the principle that no religious instruction shall be given in the public and state institutions. Unless the denomination provides schools where religious instruction may be given, where are the leaders with the proper training to come from in the future? It is well known that few preachers come from the state institutions. While Christian education has been receiving a generous portion of the money contributed to the Co-operative Program, the amount has been grossly inadequate to supply the needs of our church institutions.

The situation in North Carolina is as follows: Wake Forest is in danger of being outclassed by institutions with large incomes and heavy endowment. Meredith College is in debt heavily and a special campaign has been found advisable largely because of the indebtedness of Meredith. Our secondary schools are either going out of business or struggling along on inadequate incomes. Our Junior Colleges are not having an easy path.

As stated a great special campaign is to be launched by action of the General Board of the Baptist State Convention for the raising of $1,500,000.00 for our seven educational institutions, its purpose being to wipe out encumbering mortgages, to stop the payment of large sums of interest, to construct necessary new buildings, to supply vitally needed equipment, and to place our institutions somewhat on a par with competitive institutions of the state. The institutions to share in this fund are as follows: Boiling Springs, Campbell, Chowan, Mars Hill, Meredith, Wake Forest, Wingate.

Your committee recommends that all Baptists give to this campaign their hearty support and contribute to it as liberally as their means will permit. Unless this campaign succeeds our institutions will be greatly crippled and perhaps will not last the generation allotted them by gloomy prophets. Unless our denomination provides religious instruction for our boys and girls, they will not receive it. We will have no trained leaders, and without trained leaders we are destined for denominational disaster.

IRA T. JOHNSTON, Committee.

15th. Rev. P. C. Stringfield, a professor in Mars Hill College, made an address in behalf of Christian Education.

16th. Rev. N. C. Teague spoke briefly to us in behalf of Mountain View Institute.

17th. On motion the Association elected Rev. W. E. Denny and E. C. Eller trustees for Mountain View Institute.

18th. Homes for Messengers were assigned.

19th. A collection amounting to $6.00 was taken for

G. W. Milam, a brother who is sick and in a helpless condition.

20th. Rev. J. D. Sexton preached on "The Love of God." Text, I John, 3:16.

21st. Pledges for Co-operative Program were called for. The churches following pledged these amounts:

Baptist Home	$10.00	Pleasant Home	25.00
Bethel	10.00	Mountain View	10.00
Big Flats	50.00	Big Laurel	10.00
Bald Mountain	110.00	Smethport	15.00
Buffalo	85.00	Tuckerdale	20.00
Friendship	25.00	West Jefferson	150.00
Forest Home	10.00	Grassy Creek	50.00
Healing Springs	25.00	Pleasant Valley	25.00
Landmark	50.00	Apple Grove	10.00
Little Helton	25.00	Beaver Creek	75.00
Jefferson	25.00	Pilot Mountain	5.00
Long Branch	35.00	Pleasant Hill	5.00
Mission Home	25.00	Individual Pledges:	
New River	110.00	S. A. Campbell	5.00
Old Fields	10.00	R. L. Hodges	5.00
Peak Valley	15.00		
Phoenix	70.00		$1140.00

22nd. Adjournment by prayer led by Rev. P. H. Haire.

Friday Night, 8:15 P. M.

23rd. Rev. W. E. Denny preached on the subject, "The Christian Warfare." Text, II Cor. 10:4.

SECOND DAY—SATURDAY, AUGUST 27, 1927.

Morning Session, 9:00 A. M.

24th. The Association came to order at 9:00 A. M., and Rev. H. M. Winkler conducted the devotional exercises. Prayer by Rev. W. F. Barker.

25th. As it was expected that Dr. Lumpkin, of the Baptist Hospital at Winston-Salem, would attend the Association, it was moved to defer the report on the Hospital until his arrival.

26th. No written report on the Orphanage being in it was moved to include in the minutes the last year's report. The report was discussed by Felix Houck, Rev. J. A. McKaughan, and P. C. Stringfield.

Report on Orphanage

Our Orphans' Home at Thomasville, N. C., and Kennedy Home near Kinston, N. C., are supported by the Baptists of North Carolina. We need only to know the needs and the worth of this institution to give to its support freely. It accomodates about 650

children who are dependent to a great extent upon the Baptists of North Carolina for their support.

The cost for each child for a year is approximately $250, or $21 per month.

The demand of the Orphanage is greater than its equipment and resources can supply, as its needs are increasing yearly. Shall we Baptists of Ashe county not do more active giving than ever before for our Orphanage, in order that some worthy child may not be denied the great life that God has endowed it with?

The various churches with their great wealth and abundance should give more freely of what the Lord has blessed them with to relieve the wants of these orphans that have been left in our care.

We insist, therefore, that our pastors, Sunday School superintendents and teachers impress upon the minds of their congregations and classes their duty toward this great object of charity.

Respectfully submitted,
B. H. DUNCAN,
H. C. TUCKER, Committee.

27th. A roll call of the churches was made in which practically every church agreed to take monthly collections for the Orphanage. J. C. Denny, T. M. Hayes, C. W. Sexton, Felix Houck, M. D. Blackburn, and P. H. Haire agreed that their churches would take loads of produce and vegetables to the Orphanage.

28th. Dr. S. L. Perkins, of the Brushy Mountain Association, was seated with the body.

29th. The report on the Biblical Recorder was called for, but as it was not in, it was moved that the Clerk insert it as it should be sent in by the Committee.

Report on Biblical Recorder

This is an age of information. People are reading more than ever before in the history of the world. This is especially true in Ashe County and Northwestern North Carolina. Daily motor mail service has meant a daily paper in hundreds of homes west of the Blue Ridge on the day of publication. Our people have had their horizon widened and the gateway to the outside world opened as never before. All this is well. Ashe County Baptists welcome the new era and pray for greater progress.

However, every progressive movement in other realms of thought and action and material development within our borders imposes new obligations upon us who uphold the banner of the Baptist church and King Immanuel. If our growth is mental, moral and spiritual as well as physical, our information and reading must be of the right sort, and unless we desire a lop-sided development, we certainly must not neglect religious literature. First of all, we should dust off our family Bibles and commune with the

master minds, who we believe held communion as they wrote with the Divine. Next, we should plan for ourselves and our children to receive reading matter as varied as we wish our lives to be and our denominational paper assuredly hs a place in any well chosen list.

Baptists in North Carolina are particularly fortunate in having the Biblical Recorder, a publication that in arrangement and subject matter compares favorably with the secular and religious papers of the country. It has departments which are of interest to every member of the family. Its readers are informed by its pages of the activities of the denomination as they can be in no other way.

What would you think of a physician who has no medical books in his library and does not read any of the new developments in the realm of medical science? What would you think of a lawyer who has no law books in his library and who has no method of keeping up with happenings in the legal world? What would you think of a Christian who is ignorant of the great text-book of the Christian, the Bible?

And what would you think of a Baptist who for the pittance of $2.00 per year debars himself and his family of the wealth of information and inspiration to be found in a State denominational paper, the Biblical Recorder? Let's give it a 100 per cent subscription list in Ashe Association. It will help the Baptist cause in Ashe County immeasurably more.

30th. The Biblical Recorder was discussed by Rev. J .A. McKaughan and subscriptions were called for. Several responded.

31st. Rev. J. A. McKaughan perached on "Faith." Text, Matthew 8:10 and 13.

32nd. Adjourned by prayer led by J. A. McKaughan until 1:30 P. M.

Afternoon Session, 1:30 P. M.

33rd. The Association met in business session at 1:30 P. M. by engaging in singing. Prayer by Rev. E. Blevins.

34th. The report on Pastoral Support was submitted and read by G. L. Trivette. It was discussed by G. L. Trivette, Felix Houck, Dennis Lewis, H. M. Winkler, J. A. McKaughan and P. H. Haire and adopted by the body.

Report on Pastors' Support

God in providing for His people Israel, provided lands for all except the Levites, which were to be supported by a certain portion of the income of the other tribes. This was provided by the law given by Moses.

God has relieved us from that law, and put us under the law of love. Love toward God and love for His cause.

Being governed by this law we the people of God should give

a certain and sufficient portion for the support of the ministry, and the spread of the Gospel to the ends of the earth.

Respectfully submitted.
G. L. TRIVETTE, Committee.

35th. It was moved that a report on old ministers' relief should be handed in by Rev. S. C. Blackburn and included in the minutes. The topic was discussed by Rev. J A. McKaughan, after which was sung "In the Land Where We'll Never Grow Old."

36th. The topic of Temperance was ably and forcefully discussed by Revs. S. C. Blackburn and H. M. Winkler. It was moved that the Association go down on record that it stood against the liquor traffic and would give its support to the law and its efforts to abolish the same.

37th. Report on Place and Preacher for next Association read and adopted.

Report on Place and Preacher for Next Year

We, your Committee on Place and Preacher for next Association, report that the next session will be held with Landmark Baptist church, near Silas Creek, N. C. Rev. C. W. Sexton, of Edison, N. C., will preach the annual sermon; alternate, Rev. S. C. Blackburn, West Jefferson, N. C.

GEO. B. DOGETTE, Chm. of Committee;
BRYAN OLIVER, Secretary.

38th. Report of Finance Committee read and adopted.

Report of Finance Committee

We, your Finance Committee, submit the following report:

Received for minutes	$81.90
Received for Co-operative Program	53.70
Received for Orphanage	2.21
Total	$137.81

Respectfully submitted,
C. W. SEXTON,
J. E. JOHNSTON,
A. DELL GOODMAN, Committee.

39th A collection was taken to supplement the minute funds. The amount was $6.00.

40th. Moved that the Clerk be empowered to notify each church of their part in any deficit that should come in printing and finishing the minutes.

41st. That the Clerk submit his minutes to the Charity and Children job office of the Baptist Orphanage for printing.

NOTE BY THE CLERK'—The Orphanage instructed me that as they were already pushed with work, to get the minutes printed

elsewhere.

Respectfully,
BRYAN OLIVER, Clerk Ashe Association.

42nd. Report on Digest of Church Letters read and discussed by Dell Goodman and adopted.

Digest of Church Letters

From the 37 churches represented in the Association we, your committee, make the following report:

Value of Church Property	$55,550.00
Received by Baptism	235
Received by Letter	47
Received by Statement	21
Received by Restoration	14
Losses by Letter	101
Losses by Exclusion and Erasure	37
Losses by Death	18
Present Membership	2919
Gained	161
Financial Report—	
Pastors' Salaries	$341.75
Other Salaries	47.00
Ministerial Help	788.20
Building and Repairs	695.00
Incidentals	246.76
S. S. and B. Y. P. U.	274.57
Local Poor	97.28
Minute Fund	81.00
Other Objects	87.80
Local Total	$5,838.71
Orphanage	$423.05
Co-operative Program	874.50
Hospital	11.95
Denominational Total	$1,309.50
Grand Total	$7,148.21
Number of Sunday Schools	33
Total Enrollment	2,415

It would greatly simplify the work of your committee and Clerk if all the Associational letters were completely, accurately and neatly filled out. We desire the co-operation of each church clerk in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,
A. DELL GOODMAN,
W. L. CAMPBELL,
E. Z. SEXTON, Committee.

43rd. It was moved that the churches be instructed

to put their pledges for Co-operative Program on their Associational letters next year.

44th. Moved that S. C. Blackburn be elected missionary leader for the Association.

45th. On motion adjourned. Prayer by Rev. S. C. Blackburn.

THIRD DAY

Sunday Morning, August 28, 9:30 A. M.

46th. The Association was opened by singing. Devotional reading, Matthew 5, and prayer by Rev. P. C. Stringfield.

47th. The report on the Baptist Hospital was submitted by Rev. W. F. Barker, read by the Clerk, and discussed by Revs. H. M. Winkler, S. C. Blackburn, J. F. Hodgson, J. A. McKaughan, and R. E. Caudill. On motion adopted.

Report on Hospital

Our Baptist Hospital located at Winston-Salem is the youngest child of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, and is now only four years old.

It is the latest creation in hospital construction.

It has a medical and surgical staff unsurpassed in the South.

It has the lowest death rate on record.

The Great Physician is the Chief of its staff.

We are caring for over 500 charity patients and over 500 part pay patients every year. Since the organization of this institution we have cared for more than 6,000 patients, and they have come from every walk of life, the missionary, the preacher and his wife, the widow, and the orphan, disabled ministers, the lawyer, the doctor, the merchant, the farmer, the rich and the poor have come and they have been received with a glad heart and given the best.

The Hospital is growing in popularity every day, and there is an increasing demand from our churches for charity work; this demand grows far more rapidly than the response to the call for charity funds on Mother's Day.

THEREFORE, your committee recommends:

1st. That the Hospital may be able to offer its care and healing to an increased number of charity patients, churches sending free patients shall use every possible means to determine whether the applicant for charity really needs such help, and that the church sending a charity patient shall endeavor to pay the sum of $1.50 per day for the care of this patient.

2nd. That every church in the Ashe Association be urged to put on the Mother's Day program for the Hospital and make an offering on that day for charity work, even if the offering is no more than the regular Sunday School collection. Remember this is

the Convention's plan for the support of this work, and there is no other source of supply for this work.

3rd. That the Baptist host of Ashe County will pray for the institution, and ask the Great Physician to be present always in its ministry of healing, and talk about it to their friends, recommend it to the consideration of all Baptist people, and endeavor to secure the united interest of our churches in the great work of healing the sons of men.

The Hospital needs your support, your sympathy and prayers and you need its superior, Christian care and love.

Submitted,

REV. W. F. BARKER, Committee.

48th. A collection to aid in sending Mrs. Sarah Greene, of Fleetwood, N. C., to the Baptist Hospital, was taken. The amount was $20.55.

49th. I. E. Duncan, Three Forks Association, was seated with the body.

50th. The report on Sunday Schools was submitted by Revs. J. O. Spencer and W. E. Denny, read by the Clerk, discussed by Ira T. Johnston, and adopted.

Report on Sunday Schools

In looking over the past reports of our Sunday Schools we find—But here are the figures, we will let them speak for themselves. They can speak in louder tones than we. These figures show that six schools have been gained and the total loss of membership is 268 within the last year. Can we as Sunday School workers account for the decrease in this number? Have we ever stopped to think what the old Puritan Lawmaker said was the sublimest word in the English language? "Duty." Will we, as church workers, when the Great Day, the Judgment, comes, be found on duty? Will we have accomplished what we should?

No, not until we have put forth every effort to place our Sunday Schools on a standard basis.

It is said that, "A man never grows old as long as he grows." We must grow. If we are not growing in strength, we are growing old. We as Baptist Sunday School workers must not wait for greatness to be thrust upon us. The only way to accomplish greatness is by our own exertions. Are we willing to put forth the effort to obtain the few things:

1. 75% of the church membership.
2. Trained teachers.
3. Class rooms.
4. Grading.

in order to get our Sunday School on a standard basis.

Let us begin now to eat the fruits that will fill us with inspiration to do great things. If we grow old, let it not be for the lack

of "Duty."

"Failure is only a spur to success." Help, can't you, to make this adge come true.

Respectfully submitted,
W. E. DENNY,
J. O. SPENCER, Committee.

51st. Report on Resolutions read by the Clerk and adopted.

Report of Committee on Resolutions

Be it resolved by the Ashe Association in its 41st annual session:

....1st. That this body express its heartfelt thanks for the generous hospitality of the people of the Buffalo section extended during this session.

2nd. That the pastor and members of Buffalo church are entitled to praise for their preparation and arrangements aiding in a successful session.

3rd. That the body extend its thanks and appreciation to the officers and committees for their efficient service.

4th. That the body extends its gratitude to Rev. J. O. Spencer, Rev. J. D. Sexton, Rev. W. E. Denney, Rev. J. A. McKaughan, Rev. P. C. Stringfield and Rev. S. C. Blackburn for their inspirational addresses and sermons during this session.

5th. That the delegates and pastors pledge increased interest in and loyalty to the Co-operative Program of the Southern Baptist Convention.

6th. That this Association pledge its co-operation with and support of the Centennial Campaign for Christian Education.

Respectfully submitted,
T. K. LUTHER,
H. M. WINKLER,
IRA T. JOHNSTON, Committee.

52nd. A collection was taken to supplement minute fund. The amount was $4.70.

53rd. Rev. S. C. Blackburn preached on the subject, "Our Young People." Text, "Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth."

54th. On motion adjourn until the next annual session. Prayer by Rev. J. O. Spencer.

The Ashe Association has no Auxiliary meetings.

TABLE I—CHURCH MEMBERSHIP, ETC., ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION FOR AUGUST, 1927

CHURCHES	Is it in a Village, Town, City or Country?	When Constituted	Church Clerks and Post Offices	Days of Meeting	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP														
					Members last year	Gains				Losses				Total Present Members	Weekly Prayer Meetings	Revivals during year	Ob. Lord's Supper dur. yr.	Rec. State Bap. Paper
						Baptisms	Letters	Statements	Restorations	Letters	Exclusions	Erasures	Deaths					
Apple Grove	C.	1860	H. A. Miller, White Top, Va.	2	36	19	3	1	1	1	....	....	....	59	yes	2	1	....
Baptist Home	C.	1890	L. J. Sturgill, Parker	3	60	....	....	....	....	1	1	....	....	58	no	....	....	....
Bald Mountain	C.	1910	C. W. Campbell, Beaver Creek	2 & 1	111	6	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	118	no	1	1	3
Beaver Creek	C.	....	L. W. Goodman, Beaver Creek	4	37	3	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	41	no	....	....	4
Bethel	C.	1851	C. W. Phillips, West Jefferson	2	117	5	....	....	....	2	....	....	....	120	no	1	1	1
Big Flats	C.	1905	Mrs. W. F. Church, Fleetwood	1	74	3	3	2	1	1	....	....	....	82	yes	2	1	3
Big Laurel	....	....	Earl Roten, Hemlock	....	30	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	30	no	1	1	....
Bristol	C.	1888	T. A. Johnston, Smethport	1	67	5	....	....	....	1	2	....	1	68	no	2	....	....
Buffalo	C.	1869	B. S. Harless, Smethport	1 & 3	108	10	....	....	....	3	....	....	....	115	no	1	1	8
Clifton	C.	1923	W. T. Miller, Clifton	3	14	10	....	1	2	1	....	....	....	26	....	2	....	2
Forest Home	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Friendship	C.	1880	Foster Brown, Jefferson	3	113	6	1	....	....	4	....	....	1	115	no	1	1	....
Healing Springs	C.	1888	G. R. Ham, Crumpler	1	126	27	3	4	1	5	....	....	2	154	no	2	1	....
Glendale Springs	C.	1914	J. D. Wingler, Glendale Springs	3	38	2	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	41	no	....	....	....
Grassy Creek	C.	1927	R. W. Blackburn, Grassy Creek	4	*27	3	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	32	no	....	....	2
Jefferson	T.	1888	Ira T. Johnston, Jefferson	4	56	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	56	no	....	....	5
Landmark	C.	1856	T. A. Jones, Grassy Creek	4	190	10	1	4	7	10	1	....	....	201	no	2	1	2
Laurel Knob	C.	1912	J. F. Pearson, Todd	1	105	8	....	....	....	....	....	....	6	107	yes	1	....	3

Liberty Grove	C.	1915	L. N. Keller, Garren	3	96							1	95	no	1	1	
Liberty Hill	C.	1907	J. H. Wagoner, Nathans Creek	1	52	1				1			52	no	2		
Little Helton	C.	1923	Chas. Hurley, Grassy Creek	2	46	2	1	1					50	yes	1		
Long Branch	C.	1889	J. G. Welch, Lansing	3	66	9		2			7	1	69	no	1	1	2
Meadow View																	
Mission Home	C.		J. F. Blackburn, Fleetwood	2	107	5				4			108	no	1		
Mountain View	C.		John Coldiron, Eldreth	1	29	8		1		1	3		34	no	1	1	
New River	C.	1889	W. D. Brown, Weavers Ford	3	162	15	3			27			153	no	2	1	4
Oak Hill	C.	1927	W. R. Blackburn, Jefferson	3	*11	6							17	yes			
Obids																	
Old Fields	C.	1803	E. F. Phillips, Idlewild	3	148	3	2			8		1	144	no	1	1	
Orion	C.	1911	J. F. Dillard, Jefferson	1	61	13	1						75	no	1	1	3
Peak Valley	C.	1892	T. H. Michael, Trade, Tenn.	4	62					4	3	2	53	no		2	
Phoenix	C.	1908	Mrs. F. T. Waddell, Bina	2	95	5				2	4		94	no	1	1	4
Pilot Mountain	C.		C. Tucker, Brownwood	3	57					3	4		50	no			
Pleasant Hill	C.	1894	G. R. Miller, White Top, Va.	4	39	6	1			8		1	37	no	1	1	
Pleasant Home	C.	1870	L. P. Phipps, Grassy Creek	4	100	8				5			103	no	1	1	
Pleasant Valley	C.	1926	E. W. Phipps, Grassy Creek	1	17	22	7	5			1		50	no	3	1	
Smethport	V.	1923	Dennis Lewis, Jefferson	2	78	6	1				3		82	yes	1		
Tuckerdale	V.	1915	Miss Rosetta Powers, Tuckerdale	1	78	5			2	2		1	82	no	1	1	
Valley Home	C.	1916	D. R. Jones, Tolliver	4	94	3	2			10	1		88	no	1	2	
West Jefferson	T.	1916	F. B. Jones, West Jefferson	1,2,3,4	160	8	12			4	1		175	yes	1	2	15
Zion Hill																	
Totals					2896	235	47	21	14	101	19	13	18	2919		37	27	61

*Charter members.

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TABLE II—SUNDAY SCHOOLS OF ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
AUGUST, 1927

CHURCHES	Is it a Village, Town, City or Country Church?	Secretaries and Postoffices	Sunday School Enrollment									Special Information						
			Officers and Teachers	Beginners, 3-5 years	Primaries 6-8 years	Juniors 9-12 years	Intermediates 13-16	Young People 17-24	Adults 25 years up	Cradle Roll under 3	Total Enrollment	Average Attendance	Is School Graded?	Is it Stanadr A-1?	Teach. hold. Norm. Dip.	Baptisms from School	Gifts to Local Church Work	Gifts to Missions, Orphanage, etc.	Have you a Mission Sunday School?
Apple Grove	C.	Alvin Howell, White Top, Va.									85	35	no	no			11.48		no
Baptist Home	C.	Mrs. Ordna Brown, Parker	5								60	35	no	no	0	0	3.00	0	no
Bald Mountain	C.	W. L. Houck, Beaver Creek	6	18		25		25	22		90	50	no	no	0	0	18.76	0	no
Beaver Creek	C.	Mrs. Willie Stewart, Beaver Creek	4								60	40	no	no	0	0	.00	0	no
Bethel	C.	R. G. Phillips, Oval	4								60	40	no		3	5	6.49	14.65	no
Big Flats	C.	Mrs. J. F. Houck, Fleetwood	7	12	10	12	20		20		81	40	yes	no	0	3	16.75	10.00	no
Big Laurel	C.	Miss Laura Barr, Hemlock	6	7	8	11	16	20	15		72	40	no	no	0		4.00	3.35	
Bristol	C.																		
Buffalo	C.	Elizabeth Ray, Smethport	5	3	8	3	10	5	14	4	42	22	no	no		2	6.74	11.35	no
Clifton	C.	Mary Johnston, Clifton	5								50	20							
Forest Home	C.																		
Friendship	C.	Nettie Weatherspoon, Jefferson	6								90	45	no	no	0	0	10.62	8.58	
Healing Springs	C.	G. R. Ham, Crumpler	9								75	50	no	no	0	0	13.98		
Glendale Springs	C.																		
Grassy Creek	C.																		
Jefferson	T.	Guy T. Badger, Jefferson	5	4	7	5	4	3	9	0	37	21			1		17.42	5.00	
Landmark	C.	Mrs. Dora Baldwin, Grassy Creek	6								134	75					6.79		

Laurel Knob	C.	Rese Grubb, Todd	6								40	24							
Liberty Grove	C.	J. P. Howell, Garren	9	12	12	10	11	39	0		93	57					13.69	18.70	
Liberty Hill	C.																		
Little Helton	C.	Retha Eller, Grassy Creek	7								84	74					9.12		
Long Branch	C.	Mrs. Ruth Eldreth, Lansing	5	15	6	12	5	0	20		63	35					5.00		
Meadow View	C.																		
Mission Home	C.	J. F. Blackburn, Fleetwood	6								65	40					21.22	81.82	
Mountain View	C.	W. O. Welch, Eldreth	6								65	40							
New River	C.	Opal Grace, Weavers Ford	8	17	7	19	14		26		91	45					8.41	9.67	
Oak Hill	C.	Bell Kilby, Bina	7								160	80					26.70		
Obids	C.										50	37					4.50	4.53	
Old Fields	C.	H. O. Baker, Idlewild																	
Orion	C.	Clyde Barr, Jefferson	6	7	5	5	15	6	10		54	25				8	6.85	12.13	
Peak Valley	C.	W. W. Munday, Creston	7								40	40					14.00		
Phoenix	C.	Inez King, Bina	6								95	40					9.83	18.75	
Pilot Mountain	C.	Truda Miller, (?) Brownwood	5	10			8	7			30	20							
Pleasant Hill	C.	Lillia B. Perry, White Top, Va.	5	10	8	12	15	6	30		86	30					6.14		
Pleasant Home	C.	J. T. Sturgill, Grassy Creek	7	16		16		25	25		89	40					10.26		
Pleasant Valley	C.	Hazel Jones, Grassy Creek	5	12		10	10		28		65	35				10	5.00	4.00	
Smethport	V.	James Taylor, Smethport	7								60	35							
Tuckerdale	V.	Rozetta Powers, Tuckerdale	5								40	35							
Valley Home	C.	Mossi Garret, Tolliver	4	10	12		8		15		49	25				2	12.00		
West Jefferson	T.	Lucy Oliver, W. Jefferson	9	21	11	16	30	27	46		160	81					111.32	42.11	
Zion Hill	C.																		
Totals			188	174	94	156	166	163	282	4	2415	1351			4	30	374.57	245.14	

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TABLE III—CHURCH PROPERTY OF ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, AUGUST, 1927

CHURCHES	Does your church own its house of worship?	When was it built?	Material used.	Persons seated.	Number of rooms.	Are all departments in S. S. provided for?	Are all S. S. Classes provided for?	Value of Church House and Grounds	Value of Pastor's Home	Total value of all Church Property.	Indebtedness on all Church Property.	Insurance carried.
Apple Grove	yes	1899	wood	250	1	no	no	1000.00		1000.00	none	none
Baptist Home	yes	1895	wood	300	1	no	no	400.00		400.00	none	none
Bald Mountain	yes	1910	wood	300	1	yes	yes	1300.00		1300.00	none	none
Beaver Creek	yes	1900	wood	500	1	yes	yes	1500.00		1500.00	none	none
Bethel	yes	1922	wood	300	1	no	no	3000.00		3000.00	none	none
Big Flats	yes	1909	wood	200	1	no	no	1200.00		1200.00	none	none
Big Laurel	yes	1904	wood	300	1	no	no	700.00		700.00	none	none
Bristol	yes	1922	wood	300	1	no	no	1000.00		1000.00	none	none
Buffalo	yes		wood	250	1	yes	yes	700.00		700.00	none	none
Clifton	yes	1903	wood	300	1	yes	yes	1500.00		1500.00	none	none
Forest Home	yes	1874	wood	200	1	no	no	500.00		500.00	none	none
Friendship	yes	1909	wood	400	1	no	no	1600.00		3,000.00	none	none
Healing Springs	yes	1897	wood	300	1	no	no	3000.00		1600.00	none	none
Glendale Springs	yes		wood	200	1	no	no	1500.00		1500.00	none	none
Grassy Creek	no							200.00		200.00	none	none
Jefferson	yes	1885	wood	250	1	no	no	1500.00		1500.00	none	none
Landmark	yes	1910	wood	400	1	no	no	3000.00		3000.00	none	none
Laurel Knob	yes	1910	wood	200	1	no	no	1000.00		1000.00	none	none

Liberty Grove	yes	1915	wood	200	1	no	no	1500.00	3000.00	4500.00	none	none
Liberty Hill	yes	1910	wood	300	1	no	no	450.00		450.00	none	none
Little Helton	yes	1925	wood	400	1	no	no	1200.00		1200.00	200.00	none
Long Branch	yes	1920	wood	300	1	yes	yes	1500.00		1500.00	none	none
Meadow View												
Mission Home	yes	1900	wood	300	1	no	no	1600.00		1600.00	none	none
Mountain View	yes	1925	wood	200	1	yes	yes	1000.00		1000.00	none	none
New River	yes		wood	400	1	no	no	1500.00		1500.00	none	none
Oak Hill	no							300.00		300.00	none	none
Obids	yes	1892	wood	300	1	no	no	1000.00		1000.00	none	none
Old Fields	yes	1896	wood	450	1	no	no	4000.00		4000.00	none	none
Orion	yes	1911	wood	300	1	yes	yes	2000.00		2000.00	none	none
Peak Valley	yes	1904	wood	300	1	no	no	600.00		600.00	none	none
Phoenix	yes	1913	wood	300	2	yes	yes	2000.00		2000.00	none	none
Pilot Mountain	yes		wood	300	1	no	no	300.00		300.00	none	none
Pleasant Hill	yes	1896	wood	300	1	no	no	800.00		800.00	none	none
Pleasant Home	yes	1898	wood	250	1	no	no	2000.00		2000.00	none	none
Pleasant Valley	yes	1899	wood	300	1	no	no	1000.00		1000.00	none	none
Smethport	yes	1923	wood	250	1	no	no	800.00		800.00	100.00	none
Tuckerdale	yes	1920	wood	300	1	yes	yes	1500.00		1500.00	none	none
Valley Home	yes	1917	wood	250	1	no	no	1000.00		1000.00	none	none
West Jefferson	yes	1916	wood	400	1	yes	yes	2000.00		2000.00		1500.00
Zion Hill												
Totals				11150				52,550.00	3000.00	55,550.00	300.00	1500.00

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TABLE IV—GIFTS FOR LOCAL CHURCH WORK OF ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
AUGUST, 1927

CHURCHES	Regular Treasurers and Post Offices	Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	Literature for S. S., and B. Y. P. U. and W. M. S.	Help Given to Local Poor	For Printing Minutes and Clerk of Associatinn	Other Objects	Total for Support Local Church Work
Apple Grove	H. A. Miller, White Top, Va.	94.70		18.30		10.00			1.50		124.50
Baptist Home	L. J. Sturgill, Parker	48.30					3.00		.90		54.20
Bald Mountain	W. L. Houck, Beaver Creek	255.00		25.00			13.76		2.50	58.40	354.66
Beaver Creek	L. H. Goodman, Beaver Creek	72.00			15.00		1.60		2.10		90.70
Bethel	C. W. Phillips, W. Jefferson	60.00		16.00		4.25	2.97		2.00		85.22
Big Flats	F. L. Houck, Fleetwood	102.55		65.25		12.00	16.75	60.00	1.50		258.05
Big Laurel	Earl Roten, Hemlock	61.00					4.00		1.00	3.35	69.35
Bristol	T. A. Johnston, Smethport	32.00		29.00					1.00	1.05	63.05
Buffalo	Myrtle Campbell, Beaver Creek	174.10		50.00		10.58	7.48		3.00		241.16
Clifton	W. T. Miller, Clifton	47.00					10.00		2.00		59.00
Forest Home											
Friendship	T. K. Luther, Jefferson	144.58					10.62		3.50		128.70
Healing Springs	G. R. Ham, Crumpler	125.00		70.00		5.00	13.85				213.85
Glendale Springs	J. D. Wingler, Glendale Springs	14.16							1.45		115.61
Grassy Creek	S. P. Hale, Grassy Creek	40.00							1.50		41.50
Jefferson	F. W. Testerman, Jefferson	72.00				35.00	4.57		2.50		104.07

Landmark	T. A. Jones, Grassy Creek	96.45		53.00	65.00	10.00	16.10	27.28	5.00		272.83
Laurel Knob	F. N. Stephens, Todd	100.65		30.40	3.80	2.50	8.32		1.00		146.67
Liberty Grove	Chas. E. Howell, Todd	90.80				20.00	13.69		2.00		126.49
Liberty Hill	J. H. Wagoner, Nathans Creek			30.85		1.00			1.50		33.35
Little Helton	Chas. Hurley, Grassy Creek	75.58		27.00	200.00				2.50		305.08
Long Branch	J. G. Welch, Lansing	10.00		15.00		3.75			3.00		32.25
Meadow View											
Mission Home	J. C. Green, Fleetwood	49.75							2.00		51.75
Mountain View	John Coldiron, Eldreth	36.00		10.00	10.00				1.00		57.00
New River	W. D. Brown, Weavers Ford	119.70		41.91	177.44	14.30	8.41		4.25		365.48
Oak Hill	W. R. Blackburn, Jefferson	20.00							1.00		21.00
Obids											
Old Fields	E. F Phillips, Idlewild	61.39		28.20			4.50		2.00		96.09
Orion	W. J. Bare, Jefferson	35.00	25.00	33.00		2.00	6.69	10.00	2.00		113.69
Peak Valley	J. H. Michael, Trade, Tenn.	32.55							1.20		33.75
Phoenix	Mrs. F. L. Waddell, Bina	111.85		21.90	150.00	5.00	12.00		5.00		305.75
Pilot Mountain	C. Tucker, Brownwood	30.00							1.00		31.00
Pleasant Hill	G. R. Miller, White Top, Va.	18.50		32.00		1.00			1.05		52.55
Pleasant Home	Geo. Eller, Grassy Creek	40.10		14.65		11.00	10.83		3.25		75.83
Pleasant Valley	E. W. Phipps, Grassy Creek	80.00		50.75	12.00		5.00		2.00		149.75
Smethport	Dennis Lewis, Jefferson	60.00					12.00		.75		72.75
Tuckerdale	W. H. Darnell, Tuckerdale	89.20	22.00		51.80				3.25		166.25
Valley Home	D. R. Jones, Tolliver	64.50		17.52	10.00	12.00	12.00		.80	25.00	141.82
West Jefferson	Hal Doggett, W. Jefferson	891.87		108.07		87.33			5.00		1092.27
Zion Hill									1.00		
Totals		3421.75	47.00	788.20	695.04	246.71	198.14	97.28	82.00	87.80	5651,01

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TABLE V—GIFTS FOR ALL MISSIONS, ETC., ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, AUGUST, 1927

CHURCHES	Gifts to the Co-operative Program	Association Missions	Foreign Missions	Schools and Colleges	Hospitals	Orphanages	Aged Ministers Relief	Total all Missions, Education and Benevolence	Grand Total for all Local Church Expenses and all Missions & Benevolences
Apple Grove									124.50
Baptist Home						3.00		3.00	57.20
Bald Mountain	111.42					5.00		116.42	471.08
Beaver Creek	13.00					12.56		25.56	116.26
Bethel		6.85				13.46		20.81	105.53
Big Flats	59.20					42.25		101.45	359.50
Big Laurel						3.35		3.35	69.35
Bristol	1.05							1.05	64.10
Buffalo	84.15				11.95	12.85		108.95	350.11
Clifton	4.00							4.00	63.00
Forest Home									
Friendship	25.00					6.15		31.15	159.85
Healing Springs	34.84	4.00				16.00		54.84	268.69
Glendale Springs									15.61
Grassy Creek	17.00							17.00	58.50
Jefferson	28.75							28.75	181.82
Landmark	50.00					65.00		115.00	387.83
Laurel Knob	11.00							11.00	157.67
Liberty Grove						18.70		18.70	145.19
*Liberty Hill		4.25	1.00				1.00	*8.25	41.60
Little Helton			3.00			3.00		6.00	311.08
Long Branch						62.50		62.50	94.75
Meadow View									
Mission Home						81.82		81.82	133.57
Mountain View									57.00
New River	185.91					15.91		201.82	567.30
Oak Hill									21.00
Obids									
Old Fields	5.00							5.00	101.09
Orion				25.00		12.13	5.69	42.82	156.51
Peak Valley						5.21		5.21	38.96
Phoenix	67.00					16.20		83.20	388.90
Pilot Mountain									31.00
Pleasant Hill									52.55
Pleasant Home	20.80							20.80	100.63
Pleasant Valley						4.00		4.00	153.75
Smethport									72.75
Tuckerdale	21.50							21.50	187.75
Valley Home									141.82
West Jefferson	113.78					23.96		137.74	1230.01
Zion Hill									
Total	853.40	15.10	4.00	25.00	11.95	423.05	6.69	1331.19	6984.81

*Liberty Hill contributed $1.00 to State Missions and $1.00 to Home Missions, which is included in the total of $8.25. Pledged to Co-operative Program next year: Bald Mountain, $110.00; Beaver Creek, $50.00.

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TABLE VI — B. Y. P. U.'S OF ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, AUGUST, 1927

CHURCHES	Adult Unions	Senior Unions	Intermediate Unions	Adults Enrolled	Seniors Enrolled	Intermediates Enrolled	Total Enrolled	Total systematic givers in all Unions	Total No. Daily Bible Readers
Landmark	....	....	1	....	....	75	75	25	40
Phoenix	1	....	....	25	....	....	....	....	....
W. Jefferson	....	1	....	....	29	....	29	12	10
Total	1	1	1	25	29	75	104	97	50

Blank items, no report.

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TABLE VII—WOMAN'S WORK OF ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, AUGUST, 1927

CHURCHES	No. of Woman's Missionary Societies	No. of Y. W. A.'s.	No. of G. A.'s.	No. of R. A.'s.	No. of Sunbeams	Total W. M. U. Organizations	W. M. S. Members	Y. W. A.'s. Members	G. A.'s. Members	R. A.'s, Members	Sunbeam Members	Total members enrolled	Gifts to Local Church Work	Gifts to Missions and Benevolences	Total Gifts All Purposes
Beaver Creek	1	....	....	....	....	.....	5	....	....	....	....	5	.....	25.00	25.00
West Jefferson	1	1	1	1	1	5	15	12	15	7	14	63	225.95	50.69	276.64
Big Flats	.....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	13	.....	.....	23.55
Buffalo	.....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	5.50
Bald Mountain	.....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	4.14
Total	2	1	1	1	1	5	20	12	15	7	14	81	225.95	75.69	334.83

Blank items, no report.

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CHURCH DIRECTORIES

Ordained Ministers in the Association

Name and Address	Church of Which Member	Work
Barker, W. F., Grassy Creek	Landmark	Member
Blackburn, S. C., West Jefferson	West Jefferson	Pastor
Blevins, J. C., Grassy Creek	Pleasant Home	Pastor
Blevins, L. W., Grassy Creek	Pleasant Home	Pastor
Blevins, E., Grassy Creek	Landmark	Member
Blackburn, M. D., Grassy Creek	Little Helton	Pastor
Burkett, R. M., Jefferson	Friendship	Pastor
Campbell, N. W., Hemlock	Big Laurel	Member
Childers, Joseph, Grassy Creek	New River	Member
Carlton, W. E., Baldwin, Md.	Bald Mountain	Member
Davis, John A., Hemlock	Big Laurel	Member
Denny, W. E., Grassy Creek	Landmark	Pastor
Denny, Lester, Grassy Creek	Landmark	Member
Eller, E. A., Grassy Creek	Pleasant Home	Member
Goodman, C. F., Todd	Laurel Knob	Member
Gaultney, H. H., Grassy Creek	Little Helton	Member
Grubb, T. W., Todd	Laurel Knob	Member
Haire, P. H., Fleetwood	Big Flats	Member
Hamby, J. M., Bina	Phoenix	Member
Hayes, T. M., Nathans Creek	Liberty Hill	Member
Howell, J. G., Jefferson	Landmark	Member
Howell, Lee, Tuckerdale	Tuckerdale	Member
Hurley, Wm., Silas Creek	Landmark	Member
Hodgson, J. F., Smethport	Buffalo	Pastor
Miller, Ed. O., Reno	Glendale	Member
Neaves, J. M., Crumpler	New River	Member
Sexton, J. D., Edison	Long Branch	Pastor
Sexton, C. W., Lansing	Landmark	Pastor
Spencer, J. O., Grassy Creek	Grassy Creek	Pastor
Stanley, J. F., Hemlock	Baptist Home	Member
Trivette, Roscoe, Creston	Peak Valley	Pastor
Trivette, J. S., Fleetwood	Big Flats	Pastor
Trivette, G. L., Beaver Creek	Bald Mountain	Pastor
Wilcox, Joe, Summit	Obids	Member
Winkler, H. M., Smethport	Smethport	Pastor

Licensed Ministers

Name and Address	Church of Which Member
Judson Blevins, Grassy Creek	Pleasant Home
T. J. Cockerham, Nathans Creek	Friendship
Herbert Powers, Lansing	Long Branch
Arthur Powers, Lansing	Long Branch

Churches and Their Pastors

Churches	Pastor and Address	
Apple Grove	R. E. Caudill	Smethport
Bald Mountain	S. C. Blackburn	West Jefferson
Baptist Home	H. M. Winkler	Smethport
Beaver Creek	S. C. Blackburn	West Jefferson
Bethel	J. D. Sexton	Edison
Big Laurel	H. M. Winkler	Smethport
Big Flats	G. L. Trivette	Beaver Creek
Bristol	J. C. Blevins	Grassy Creek
Buffalo	S. C. Blackburn	West Jefferson
Clifton	H. M. Winkler	Smethport
Friendship	W. E. Denny	Grassy Creek
Glendale	R. M. Burkett	Jefferson
Grassy Creek	J. O. Spencer	Grassy Creek
Healing Springs	J. O. Spencer	Grassy Creek
Jefferson	S. C. Blackburn	West Jefferson
Landmark	J. D. Sexton	Edison
Laurel Knob	H. M. Winkler	Smethport
Liberty Grove	L. B. Murray	State Road
Liberty Hill	No Pastor	
Little Helton	M. D. Blackburn	Grassy Creek
Long Branch	C. W. Sexton	Lansing
Mission Home	S. C. Blackburn	West Jefferson
Mountain View	J. R. Trivette	Tolliver
New River	J. O. Spencer	Grassy Creek
Oak Hill	J. C. Blevins	Grassy Creek
Old Fields	Levi Greene	Deep Gap
Orion	R. M. Burkett	Jefferson
Peak Valley	J. R. Trivette	Tolliver
Phoenix	W. E. Denney	Grassy Creek
Pleasant Hill	Lee Howell	White Top, Va.
Pleasant Home	W. E. Denny	Grassy Creek
Pleasant Valley	M. D. Blackburn	Grassy Creek
Pilot Mountain	J. R. Trivette	Tolliver
Smethport	H. M. Winkler	Smethport
Tuckerdale	W. E. Denny	Grassy Creek
Valley Home	H. M. Winkler	Smethport
West Jefferson	S. C. Blackburn	West Jefferson

CHURCH DIRECTORIES

Sunday Schools and Their Superintendents

Church	Superintendent	Post Office
Apple Grove	Lee Howell	White Top, Va.
Bald Mountain	W. L. Houck	Beaver Creek
Baptist Home	J. W. Woodard	Ashland
Beaver Creek	Will Stewart	Beaver Creek
Bethel	W. W. Phillips	Beaver Creek
Big Laurel	Walter Joines	Hemlock
Big Flats	R. C. Parsons	Todd
Buffalo	B. S. Harless	Smethport
Clifton	W. T. Miller	Clifton
Friendship	G. C. Burkett	Jefferson
Healing Springs	J. F. Phipps	Crumpler
Jefferson	James Haire	Jefferson
Landmark	G. L. Denny	Grassy Creek
Laurel Knob	G. S. Holman	Todd
Liberty Grove	Chas. E. Howell	Todd
Little Helton	Roby Stevenson	Grassy Creek
Long Branch	Reuben Sexton	Edison
Mission Home	J. C. Greene	Fleetwood
Mountain View	Nola Coldiron	Eldreth
New River	C. L. Grace	Weavers Ford
Oak Hill	W. R. Blackburn	Jefferson
Orion	W. H. Dillard	Jefferson
Peak Valley	Joe Tyree	Creston
Phoenix	E. C. Eller	Bina
Pleasant Hill	L. Johnson	White Top, Va.
Pleasant Home	R. A. Stephens	Grassy Creek
Pleasant Valley	J. E. Phipps	Grassy Creek
Pilot Mountain	Miss Ruth Phillips	Brownwood
Smethport	Dennis Lewis	Jefferson
Tuckerdale	Jessie Davis	Lansing
Valley Home	W. R. Miller	Tolliver
West Jefferson	J. C. Goodman	Beaver Creek

B. Y. P. U. Presidents and Addresses

Landmark	Bryan Oliver	Grassy Creek
Phoenix	James Eller	Bina
West Jefferson	Lena Gambill	West Jefferson

W. M. U. Presidents and Addresses

Beaver Creek	Mrs. J. O. Goodman	Beaver Creek
Bald Mountain	Mrs. M. E. Hardin	Beaver Creek
Big Flats	Mrs. F. L. Houck	Fleetwood
West Jefferson	Mrs. F. C. Nye	West Jefferson

HISTORICAL TABLE OF ASHE ASSOCIATION, 1922-1927 INCLUSIVE

Date of Each Annual Meeting	Place of Each Annual Meeting	Moderator of Each Annual Meeting	Clerk of Each Annual Meeting	Introductory Sermon By Whom Preached
Aug. 31, Sept. 1, 1922	Bethel	Prof. J. C. Goodman	J. W. Duncan	Rev. S. C. Blackburn
August 30-31, 1923	Healing Springs	Prof. J. C. Goodman	W. C. Johnston	Rev. H. T. Penry
August 29-30, 1924	Tuckerdale	Prof. J. C. Goodman	W. C. Johnston	Rev. T. M. Hayes
August 28-29, 1925	West Jefferson	Prof. J. C. Goodman	J. G. Welch	Rev. J. A. Brendell
August 27-28, 1926	Orion	Prof. J. C. Goodman	J. G. Welch	Dr Chas. E. Maddry
August 26, 27, 28, 1927	Buffalo	Prof. J. C. Goodman	Bryan Oliver	Rev. J. O. Spencer

TREASURER'S REPORT

Received of Finance Committee:

Co-operative Program, undesignated	$53.70	
Orphanage	2.21	
Minutes and Clerk	81.90	
Collection for Minutes	10.70	
	$148.51	
Paid to F. B. Hamrick		$ 2.21
Paid to Walters Durham		53.70
Postage and Stationery		3.00
Printing Minutes		———— ..
Balance		————

MINUTES OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION OF THE ASHE ASSOCIATION

The second annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Ashe Baptist Association was held with Beaver Creek Baptist church, July 26, 1927.

The meeting was called to order by the Superintendent, Mrs. J. O. Goodman. "Footsteps of Jesus" was sung.

The scripture lesson, Matt. 28, was read by Rev. S. C. Blackburn, after which Prof. Chas. Goodman offered prayer.

Welcome to Beaver Creek was expressed by Mrs. Charlie Goodman.

Roll call of the societies. Beaver Creek and West Jefferson, the only two present. Reports from these two were encouraging.

The value of Missionary magazines and the Biblical Recorder was ably discussed by Mrs. Jim Gambill.

"The Ruby Anniversary Plans," a paper, was read by Mrs. S. C. Blackburn.

The address given by Mrs. Edna C. Harris was full of inspiration and helpful suggestions.

Committees were appointed:

Nominating and Resolutions—Mrs. J. C. Gambill, Mrs. B. E. Reeves, Mrs. J. C. Goodman.

Committee on Time and Place—Mrs. J. W. Gambill, Mrs. Nelia Dixon, Mrs. Hal Doggett.

Open conference led by Mrs. Harris was very helpful.

The afternoon session was called at 2:30.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Mr. F. C. Nye. After the devotional Mr. Nye gave an interesting talk on Enlistment.

Then followed a paper on "How to Enlist the Women of our Association," by Mrs. Hal Doggett. All sugestions were very practical.

Young People's Work was then discussed by Mr. F. C. Nye. An earnest prayer was offered at this time for more leaders for the young people's organizations of our Association.

An interesting story on Tithing was read by Mrs. J. C. Gambill.

The report on Mission Study work given by Mrs. B. E. Reeves was full of enthusiasm.

The report of the Nominating Committee and Resolutions was adopted. The following officers were elected for the coming year: Mrs. J. O. Goodman, Superinten-

dent; Mrs. S. C. Blackburn, Assistant Superintendent; Mrs. George Oliver, Secretary-Treasurer; Mrs. B. E. Reeves, Mission Study Leader; Mrs. F. C. Nye, Young People's Leader.

Committee on Time and Place suggested Buffalo the place for next meeting. Time to be decided later.

The minutes of the day were read and the Union was dismissed by Rev. S. C. Blackburn.

MRS. F. C. NYE, Sec. Pro Tem.

PROGRAM ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Landmark Baptist Church, Near Silas Creek, N. C.

Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 25, 26, 27, 1928.

J. C. Goodman, Moderator, Beaver Creek, N. C.

Bryan Oliver, Clerk, Silas Creek, N. C.

Friday Morning, August 25

10:00—Introductory Sermon, Rev. C. W. Sexton.
10:30—Election of Officers.
10:45—Reception of Churches and Visitors.
11:00—Appointment of Committees.
11:15—Report on Biblical Recorder.
11:30—Co-operative Program:
(a) Report on State Missions.
(b) Report on Home Missions.
(c) Report on Foreign Missions.
12:30—Adjournment for Lunch. Everybody bring baskets.

Friday Afternoon, August 25

1:30—Report on Christian Education.
2:00—Announcement of homes for Messengers and Visitors.
2:15—Miscellaneous.
2:30—Sermon, Rev. H. M. Winkler.

Friday Night, August 25

7:30—Pastor's Conference on Evangelism.
8:30—Sermon on Evangelism, Rev. G. L. Trivette.

Saturday Morning, August 26

9:00—Devotional, Rev. E. Blevins.
9:30—Report on Baptist Hospital.
10:00—Report on Orphanage.
10:30—Roll Call of Churches for Pledges.
11:00—Report on Pastors' Salaries.
11:30—Sermon, Rev. S. C. Blackburn.
12:15—Adjournment for Lunch. Everybody bring baskets.

Saturday Afternoon, August 26

1:30—Report on Old Minister's Relief.
2:00—Report on Temperance.
2:30—Report of Finance Committee.
2:45—Report of Committee on Digest of Church Letters.

3:00—Sermon, Rev. W. E. Denny.

Saturday Night, August 26

7:30—Pastor's Confernce on Enlistment.
8:00—Sermon on Enlistment., Rev. M. D. Blackburn.
8:30—Sermon on Enlistment, Rev. T. M. Hayes.

Sunday Morning, August 27

9:30—Devotional, Rev. Lester Denny.
10:00—Report on Sunday Schools.
10:45—Report on Place for Next Meeting.
10:50—Report of Committee on Resolutions.
11:00—Sermon, Rev. J. O. Spencer.
12:00—Adjournment for Lunch. Everybody bring baskets.

Sunday Afternoon, August 27

1:00—Report on B. Y. P. U.
1:30—Report on W. M. U.
2:00—Sermon, Rev. Lester Blevins.

IRA T. JOHNSON, Chairman,
J. C. GREENE,
J. W. BARR,
W. T. HARLESS,
J. F. DILLARD, Executive Committee.

OUR COMRADES WHO HAVE ANSWERED THE LAST ROLL CALL SINCE 1926

Friendship—
Mrs. Elizabeth Taylor

Healing Springs—
Mr. L. A. Porter
Mrs. Ennis Duvall

Laurel Knob—
Mrs. Caroline Fox
Mrs. Julius Stephens
Miss Myrtle Stephens
Mr. Earl Stephens
Mrs. Nora Grubb
Mrs. Clemmie Goodman

Liberty Grove—
Mrs. Nellie Ray

Long Branch—
Mrs. Mary J. Wyatt

Old Fields—
Mrs. Lucy Church

Peak Valley—
Rev. W. H. Michael
Mr. W. H. Tyree

Pleasant Hill—
Mrs. Nannie Roupe

West Jefferson—
Mr. A. M. Jones

OBITUARIES

W. H. TYREE

Brother Hart Tyree was born Oct. 14, 1860, and died March 14, 1927. He joined Peak Valley Baptist church thirty years ago and during this period of his life he lived a faithful and devoted member. In his death the church has lost a faithful servant and an active leader in God's cause. He loved the Lord's work and was always found ready to do it.

Brother Tyree is survived by his good widow and several children to whom he was faithful till his death.

MRS. HIRAM BAKER

Martha Ann Plummer was born February 22, 1855. On the 26th day of January, 1926, just at the break of day, the angels carried her home to rest.

She was married to Hiram Baker. To this union was born thirteen children, seven boys and six girls. One girl and three boys were waiting on the other shore to welcome home their darling mother.

Mrs. Baker had been in poor health for about two years. On the last she suffered an attack of pneumonia. She bore her afflictions with patience, and went away very quietly and peacfully.

She was a member of the Healing Springs Baptist church for about twenty-nine years. Her religious life was very beautifully expressed in her thoughtful tenderness toward her husband, children and grand-children. She forgot herself when they had need of her. A useful life has come to an end in this world. A home has been made desolate. Wife, mother and grandmother will be missed here, but in heaven she will be waiting to welcome her family home. In Jesus' name let us go forth to meet her again.

A precious one from us has gone;
A voice we loved is stilled;
A chair is vacant in our home
Which never can be filled.
God in His wisdom has recalled
The boon His love had given,
And though the body slumbers here,
The soul is safe in heaven.

MARTHA ENNIS DUVALL

She was born November 9, 1887, and departed this life April two brothers and two sisters, and a host of friends to mourn their loss, but we are sure their loss is her eternal gain.

ELDER W. H. MICHAEL

Was born August 11, 1865. Died March 13, 1927. Age 61 years, 7 months and two days. He was married to Kizzie South Oct. 19, 1884. To this union was born 9 children, 8 now living. He left a wife and 8 children and a host of others to mourn his

departure.

He was pastor of five churches at the time of his death. He was sound in doctrine and he gave good counsel to both old and young. He professed faith in Jesus when but a young man, and joined Elk Knob Baptist church and afterward moved his membership to Peak Valley church, and remained there until death. He gave about 31 years of his life to the ministerial work. He no 9, 1927, aged 49 years and 5 months.

She was the daughter of Marshall and Mary Pennington, was married to G. R. Duvall November 24, 1905. To this union was born six children, four boys and two girls. Two boys and one girl have preceded mother to the Great Beyond.

Brother Reece's family is divided. Mother and three children have gone to their great reward in heaven.

Sister Ennis was converted in early life, and joined Landmark church where she lived a Christian life until about four years ago, she and here husband moved their membership to Healing Springs where she lived a faithful member until death. We feel Healing Springs church and community lost a good Christian mother.

Her only request of her husband was that he would see that Lee went on and was baptized, and that he would train the children right, and all would meet her in heaven.

Just before she died she was heard to exclaim, "Thank God, I have a better home than this!"

Sister Ennis was loved by all who knew her, and was loved most by those who knew her best. She will be missed a great deal by this community, but will be missed most by the loved ones of the family.

She leaves a husband and three children, a father, mother, doubt shortened his life here by it, but he has ceased from his labors and gone home to rest with Jesus and the blest.

L. A. PORTER

Bro. L. A. Porter was born March 30, 1854, and departed this life March 22, 1926; age 71 years, 11 months and 22 days. Bro. Porter was married three times. First he married Rebecca Wyatt, Dec. 29, 1872. After her death he was married to Mrs. Nancy E. Wyatt, Oct. 10, 1880. After having lost his second wife he was married to Mrs. Minnie Pugh, who still lives to mourn the loss of a husband and companion.

Bro. Porter was converted several years ago and joined Landchurch. Later he moved his 9elif .9a
mark Baptist church. Later he moved his membership to the Healing Springs church where he remained a member till death.

He had been in declining health for some time. During the cold, bleak winter months of last winter he was taken sick, and on

March 22, his work on earth was finished and his spirit went back to God who gave it. We feel according to the living testimony he has left, he has a building, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

NORTH CAROLINA

1886 --- 1928

Forty-second Annual Session

— Held With —

LANDMARK BAPTIST CHURCH

August 31 and Sept. 1, 1928

NEAR SILAS CREEK

NORTH CAROLINA

The next session will be held with Grassy Creek Baptist Church, sixteen miles northeast of Jefferson, near the terminus of State Highway 681. Three days session, August 30 & 31 and Sept. 1, 1929. Introductory sermon to be preached by Rev. H. M. Winkler, alternate, Rev. G. L. Trivette.

Will H. McGuire's Print, Brookside, N. C.

Directory of Association

Officers

Prof. J. C. Goodman, Moderator ..... Beaver Creek, N.C.
H. A. Eller, Vice President, ... Bina, N.C.
Bryan Oliver, Clerk and Treasurer, ... Grassy Creek, N.C.

Executive Committee and Board of Missions

Ira T. Johnson, Chairman, ... Jefferson, N. C.
J. C. Greene, ... Fleetwood, N. C.
W. T. Harless, ... Beaver Creek, N. C.
J. W. Barr, ... Bina, N. C.
J. F. Dillard, ... Orion, N. C.

Member State Mission Board

Ira T. Johnson, ... Jefferson, N. C.

Standing Committees to Report in 1929

State Missions—E. C. Eller, Bina, N. C.
Home Missions— Rev. W. E. Denney, Grassy Creek, N. C.
Foreign Missions— Rev H L Coffey, Smethport, N C.
Sunday Schools— Rev David Harless, West Jefferson, N C
Biblical Recorder— J O Goodman, Beaver Creek, N C
Hospital— Rev S C Blackburn, West Jefferson.
Orphanage— Rev J O Spencer, Grassy Creek "
Christian Education— G H Hatfield, Grassy Creek, "
Pastoral Support— J F Dillard, Orion, "
Temperance— { C W Phillips, Beaver Creek,
{ B H Duncan, Beaver Creek,
Old Ministers' Relief— C S Bumgarner, Smethport.
Obituaries—J W Duncan, Beaver Creek.

List of Messengers 1928 Session

Apple Grove: Represented by letter.
Bald Mountain: C. W. Campbell, W. L. Houck, W. C. Trivett.
Baptist Home: W R Brown, E J Brown, M L Sturgill.
Beaver Creek: R L Mains, Will Stewart, J O Goodman.
Bethel: C W Phillips, W W Phillips, T H Brown, A Dell Goodman
Big Laurel: Represented by letter.
Big Flats: F. L. Houck, Fred Greene, Frank Houck.
Bristol: W A Wallace, U E Johnson, Emmett Bullins.
Buffalo: Walter Campbell, Wiley Harless, Ballard Harless.
Chestnut Hill: W H McMillan, I N Hudler, Stephen Ward.
Forest Home: W P Shoaf, John Day, J H Ashley.
Friendship: T K Luther, G C Burkett, Foster Brown.

Healing Springs: G R Ham, James Hudler.
Glendale Springs: No report when manuscript sent to printer.
Grassy Creek: G H Hatfield, W A Blackburn, Joe Peak.
Jefferson: No report.
Landmark: J C Jones, J C Denny, C C Parsons.
Laurel Knob: Lawson Edwards, G S Holman, Rev H M Winkler.
Liberty Grove: Represented by Minute fund.
Liberty Hill: H L Goodman, J H Wagoner, L D Roupe.
Little Helton: N L Cooper, Chas Hurley, George Porter.
Long Branch: J W Brown, John Welch, James Welch.
Meadow View: J W Waddell, Blanche Sexton, Flora Waddell.
Mission Home: J C Greene, J F Blackburn, Sarah E Greene.
Mountain View: No report when manuscript sent to printer.
New River: W D Brown, J E Sexton, C L Groce.
Oak Hill: L N Barker, W W Blackburn, Jackson Barker.
Obids: H M Brown, Robert Faw, G W Brown.
Old Fields: J E Cheek, A H Church, H O Baker.
Orion: W J Bare, G C Greene, J F Dillard.
Peak Valley: Represented by letter.
Phœnix: E C Eller, J W Barr.
Pilot Mountain: Calvin Tucker, Miss Ruth Phillips.
Pleasant Hill: E Roop, Arthur Hart, T R Miller.
Pleasant Home: C N Deboard, R B Hudler, J J Pierce.
Pleasant Valley: J E Phipps, L M Brinegar, E W Phipps.
Smethport: P S Bumgarner, Dennis Lewis, James Taylor.
Tuckerdale: Miss Clyde Sexton, J A Darnell, David F Brooks.
Valley Home: Represented by letter.
West Jefferson: G B Dogette, Eugene Shatley, Mrs G N Oliver.
Zion Hill: No report.

CONSTITUTION

NAME

Article 1. This body shall be called the Ashe association.

Objects

Article 2. The object of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the gospel in our bounds, and in all the world, and in this work the Association will co-operate with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

Membership

Article 3. The members of this body shall be all the ordained

ministers of the churches of this Association, and three delegates from each church, who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment and giving statistics of the membership and work of the church.

Organization

Article 4. At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer in such a way as the Association may direct. The last two offices may be held by the same brother.

Duties of Officers

Article 5. The Moderator shall preside at all meetings, preserve order, appoint committees, and perform such duties as are required of presiding officers.

Article 6. The Clerk shall keep a correct record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing and distribution to the churches, the proceedings of the body.

Article 7. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent to the Association to pay them out as the Association may direct, and make a report at each annual session.

Time and Place

Article 8. The Association shall hold an annual meeting at such time and place as may be agreed upon.

Appointments

Article 9. At each annual meeting there shall be appointed an executive committee of five brethren who shall look after the destitution in the bounds of this Association, and co-operate with the State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention, making to the next session a report of the work done and all the general State Mission work.

Article 10. The Association shall convene annually on the last Friday in August. At each annual session there shall be appointed committees to make reports to the ensuing session, on the following subjects, to-wit: State Missions Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Pastoral Support, Ministerial Education, Baptist Orphanage, Biblical Recorder, Temperance, Digest of Church Letters, Finance, Place and preacher for next Association, and Baptist Hospital.

Order of Religious Exercises

Article 11. Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

Article 12. In addition to the introductory sermon, the committee on religious exercises shall arrange at least one other sermon each day the Association is in session and all business shall be suspended while the sermon is being delivered; but no sermon shall be sched-

uled while the Association is engaged in a business session.

Prerogatives

Article 13. The Association will not retain in permanent fellowship any church that retains in its fellowship any member who is disorderly in doctrine or practice, or who makes, sells, or in any way deals in ardent spirits as a beverage.

Constitution—How Amended

Article 15 This Constitution may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual session.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES

1st. We believe in only one true and living God, and that there are three persons in the God-head, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, and that these three are one.

2nd. We believe that the Bible, the New and Old Testaments, is the Word of God and the only rule of faith and practice.

3d. We believe in the impotency of man and the sovreignty of God.

4th. We believe that salvation is by Grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5th. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ to be practiced only by believers in their spiritual order.

6th. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator, and that those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and doctrine, should take the Lord's Supper.

7th. We believe in the final perseverance of the saints in grace to glory.

8th. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment.

9th. We believe that the existence of the righteous and the wicked will both be of eternal duration, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

RULES OF ORDER

1st. Every sesssion shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2d. When the Moderator calls the house to order, every member shall at once take his seat.

3d. When a member wishes to speak he shall rise and address the Moderator, and not proceed till he is recognized.

4th. No member shall speak more than twice on any subject except by permission of the body.

5th. No member shall leave the body during the session without permission of the Moderator.

6th. It shall be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold private conversation while any person is speaking.

RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS

Of The

Forty-second Annual Session

Of The

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

— Held With —

LANDMARK BAPTIST CHURCH

Near Silas Creek, N. C.

FIRST DAY

Friday, August 31, 1928, 10 A. M.

1. The Ashe Association met in its 42nd annual session with Landmark Baptist church, Friday, Aug. 31, 1928, at 10 a. m.

Introductory Sermon by Rev. C. W. Sexton. Text Revelations 3: 20, "Behold I stand at the door and knock." This sermon was a wonderful inspiration to Ashe County Baptists.

2. Moved that officers be elected by acclamation: Prof. J. C. Goodman elected Moderator and Bryan Oliver elected Clerk and Treas.

3. Reception of new churches—Chestnut Hill was admitted into the body.

4. Reception of Visiting Brethren—Rev. Walter M. Gilmore, Baptist State Board, Raleigh, N. C., C. J. Carter, Rock Castle Association of West Virginia, Rev. J. F. Hodgson, of Lebanon Association of Virginia, Rev. H. L. Coffey, Alleghany Association, N.C., Rev. David Blackburn, New River Association, Virginia, and Prof. Edgar R. Settle, Prin. Mountain View Institute, were seated with the body.

5. Moved that the Chairman be allowed to appont the Executive Committee.

6. The delegations from the following churches were appointed as a Committee on Place and Preacher for next year: Grassy Creek, West Jefferson, Healing Springs, New River, Beaver Creek, Chestnut Hill and Valley Home. Each delegation was to have one vote.

7. Moved that the Moderator appoint a Committee on Temperance to report at this association. Rev. S. C. Blackburn, Rev. H. M. Winkler, and Rev. W. E. Denney were appointed.

8. Other Committees were appointed by the Moderator as follows:

1. Resolutions: Prof. G. H. Hatfield, Rev. E. Blevins, Rev. C. W. Sexton.
2. Finance: Walter Campbell, W. D. Brown, E. C. Eller.

3. Digest of Church Letters: A. Dell Goodman, E. Z. Sexton, W. H. McMillan.

9. Report on Biblical Recorder submited by J. O. Goodman. After a discussion by Rev. Walter M. Gilmore and J. O. Goodman, the report was adopted.

REPORT ON THE BIBLICAL RECORDER

The first Biblical Recorder came from the press in 1833. The Baptist State Convention of 1841 passed a resolution that a corporation be formed to sustain a Baptist periodical in the state. Fifty nine years later substantially the same resolution was passed, and in 1901 a corporation was formed.

For lack of support the Recorder suspended publication during 1843, and in 1872 it barely escaped suspension. With these exceptions it has been published for ninety-five years. Thomas Meredith and J. H. Mills deserve honorable mention for their loyalty to, and untiring labors for, the Recorder during its critical periods.

The Recorder has witnessed the growth of North Carolina Baptists from 15,000 to 400,000. If it was needed to guide, inform and instruct fifteen or twenty thousand Baptists, surely it is needed for 400,000. When it goes regularly into homes, churches or associations, liberality, deeper spirituality, larger benevolence, and higher moral standards follow. It is a channel of information, a source of inspiration, and an anchor of faith.

For two dollars a year it will make 51 visits into a home and may prove a priceless blessing to any and all who read and heed its messages. Your committee earnestly pleads the support of every Christian in Ashe county and elsewhere in increasing its circulation and there by increasing its usefulness. Respectfully submitted.

J. O. Goodman.

10. Adjourned until 1: 30 p. m. Prayer by Rev. W. E. Denney.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION, 1: 30 P. M.

11. The Association was called to order by song service led by W. R. Blackburn. Prayer by Rev. J. O. Spencer.

12. Subscriptions for Biblical Recorder were solicited. Several responded.

13. Report on our Co-operative Program:

(1). Report on State Missions submitted by A. Dell Goodman.

STATE MISSIONS

During the 98 years of organized work among North Carolina Baptists the chief purpose has been to carry the gospel, through missions and education, to the state, and from the state to the ends

of the world. How well we have accomplished this work is shown by the enormous Baptist growth during this period. We have grown from an insignificant sect of about 15,000 to a strong and prosperous congregation of over 400,000. However, the work is not yet completed. There are among us thousands who know not the Christ.

Instead of following the partial victory of the Seventy-five Million Campaign with enthusiasm our interest has waned. A comparison of some of the most important items of our work will show how we are falling down. In 1922 we had 204 mission workers, in 1927 only 88, a decrease of 56.8%. The number of baptisms for the same period fell from 5,306 to 1,658 or 68.7%. The amount raised for state missions dropped from $123,252.20 in 1926 to $109,946.91 in 1927, or a drop of 10.8%. We are actually doing less for state missions than we did ten years ago. We are giving some more money but the high cost of living makes it impossible to keep so many workers in the field. We are not satisfied to live as we did in 1918, and we should not be satisfied to let our state mission work remain below the level set ten years ago.

May we awake to the responsibility and opportunity before us, and give to the work as God has prospered us. In this way raise the heavy debt on our State Board, and untie their hands so they may bring in a rich harvest of souls to the kingdom of God.

Respectfully, A. D. Goodman.

(2) Report on Home Missions, not in.

(3) Report on Foreign Missions submitted by Rev. J. O. Spencer and J. F. Phipps.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

In spite of many hindrances the Foreign Mission Board has had a very good year's work.

There were 13,269 baptisms on the foreign fields. An increase of 1,184 over the preceeding year.

The church members increased from 137,734 to 140,488.

Sunday school pupils increased from 71,734 to 76,991. There were more than fifty thousand patients treated in the various hospitals.

These encouraging results were achieved under many trying difficulties and serious handicaps. Many of the missionaries were at home.

The native believers in many places were under the trying conditions of war and strife yet God has blessed the efforts put forth in every country in which we are working.

Our total missionary force is now only four hundred and ninety, whereas a few years ago we had five hundred and forty four mis-

sionaries. There are however many things to encourage us. The debt on the foreign board which has so crippled the work, has been reduced during the year.

So let us as North Carolina Baptists reaffirm the central emphasis of our Master and recapture His passion for the redemption of the lost world.

Let our spirit be like that of David Livingstone who said: "I will go anywhere provided it is forward.

Respectfully submitted,

J. O. Spencer, J. F. Phipps, Committee.

(4) Rev. Walter M. Gilmore submitted a report on our Co-operative Program.

BAPTIST CO-OPERATIVE PROGRAM

The General Board of the Baptist State Convention at its June meeting adopted $700,000 as the goal for North Carolina Baptists to raise in 1929 for all the objects included in the Co-operative Program, except the Orphanage.

This objective is to be divided equally between State-wide and South-wide objects as follows:

State-wide Objects

Out of each dollar given, unless otherwise designated, the objects will receive the following amounts:

State Missions	23 cents
Baptist Schools	23 cents
Baptist Hospital	4 cents
Total	50 cents

South-wide Objects

Foreign Missions	25 cents
Home Missions	11¼ cents
Theoligical Seminaries	8¼ cents
Ministers' Relief	4½ cents
New Orleans Hospital	1 cent
Total	50 cents

In co-operation with the other associations in the State we recommend that this association adopt the above ratio of division of its funds and that it set as its goal for 1929 $1,200 which is a little more than the association raised for the objects included in the Co-operative Program for 1927, that this amount be apportioned upon as fair and equitable a basis as is possible among all of the churches of the association by the Executive Committee of the association, or by a special committee; and that each church endeaver to raise its object-

ive by making an every-member canvass Dec. 4—11, the south-wide date set, or at such other time as may seem best, or to raise it by some other method adopted by the church.

In order that this Every-member Canvass be successful, we would recommend further that the most thorough and prayerful preparation be made, beginning several weeks in advance, giving information about the objects included in the Program, and thoroughly indoctrinating the people with the idea of stewardship.

We also recommend that a Mission Leader be elected to represent this association in its dealing with the general State organization, and that this Mission Leader, in co-operation with the executive Committee of the Ashe association or a special Mission Committee to be appointed, communicate with each local church and try to effect a simple organization consisting of a Mission Leader and a Mission Committee of four others at least, and to co-operate with this committee in every possible way in putting on and successfully carrying through the Co- operative Program for 1929.

Respectfully submitted, Walter M. Gilmore.

14. After an address by Walter M. Gilmore on State Missions and our Co-operative Program the above reports were adopted.

15. Pledges for Co-operative Program were taken. These will be found in the Statistical Table.

16. Moved that the association instruct the Executive Committee to carry out the provisions of the above report and proportion the $1200 goal among the churches and endeavor to get them to put on the every-member canvass. The every-member canvass was discussed by Rev. G. L. Trivett, Rev. Walter M. Gilmore, Rev. H. L. Coffey, F. C. Nye and C. J. Carter.

17. Homes for the messengers were assigned.

18. Sermon by Rev. Walter M. Gilmore on "Christian Stewardship".

19. Adjournment by prayer led by Rev. H. L. Coffey.

FRIDAY NIGHT, 8:00 P. M.

20. Sermon by Rev. C. W. Sexton. Text, Rom. 8: 1.

SECOND DAY--SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 1928

Morning Session, 9 : 00 a. m.

21. The Association was called to order at 9: a. m.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. E. Blevins, with prayer by Rev. J. O. Spencer and Rev. E. Blevins.

22. Report on Hospital was submitted by Rev. S. C. Blackburn

and discussed by C. C. Parsons, Rev. W. F. Barker, Rev. G. L. Trivett, Rev. C. W. Sexton, Rev. J. O. Spencer, and Rev. S. C. Blackburn.

REPORT ON HOSPITAL

Our Baptist Hospital located at Winston-Salem, is one of the finest in the South, and is doing a wonderful work for Christ, in the healing, and caring for the sick and suffering, caring for thousands of our Baptists, and even for those who are not Baptists, who are poor and many who would have to go without treatment, and many would die if they could not get treatment at our Hospital without money and without price. Therefore we earnestly urge that all our churches stand by our Hospital with their prayers, and money, and especially that an offering be taken in every Baptist church in Ashe County on Mother's Day, for Charity work in the Hospital.

Submitted, S. C. Blackburn, Com.

23. Report on Christian Education was submitted by Prof. G.H. Hatfield and Prof. F. C Nye and discussed by Professors C. M. Dickson, Edgar R. Settle, Prin. Mountain View Institute, G.H. Hatfield and F. C. Nye

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The life of a nation depends upon its schools. The value of a school depends upon its ideals. The ideals of a school have their highest worth only as they are Christian. It is the duty of the churches to make these ideais dominant in educatiou.

The necessity for maintaining our schools, great as it has been in the past, must increase rather than diminish for the future for the following reasons.

1. Because our institutions must be kept in the front rank along with those of the State in cultural training that they give, or we cannot hope to keep our Baptist boys and girls in our schools.

2. Because practically nine-tenths of our educated ministers and missionaries must come out of our Baptist institutions. Moreover, the State is rapidly enlarging and strengthening her educational program and compelling all her children to be educated. This, of course, means a more intelligent membership in our churches, and that we must educate a still larger portion of our ministers and leaders; for an educated membership will demand an educated leadership.

3. Because Missions and Christian Education are simply different phases of the Program of Jesus. The one provides that the Gospel be sent; the other provides that those who go be trained for the task. One fails without the other and world evangelization fails without both Missions and Christian Education.

4. Because of the growing emphasis that is being placed upon education, thinking men and women, lovers of God and humanity, are concerned that education shall be of such a type as shall develop our youth in body and spirit and mind. To the question, "What can you do?" must be added another, "What ought you to do for God and humanity?" This question our Christian schools are seeking to keep ever before the young people who enter them. Our schools are making more effort today than ever before to so train the young people who come to them that when they go back to their home churches, they will prove useful and efficient members. The study of the Bible is required, provision is made for training in B. Y. P. U. and Sunday School work, and the Kingdom of God and His righteousness is exalted on the campus and in class room. In short, an atmosphere and environment is created in which the Spirit of Christ is dominant.

The response of the people to the Centennial Campaign has been heartening. Surely we must come up to our Centennial in 1930 with all the equipment which we are now using paid for.

Respectfully, F. C. Nye, G. H. Hatfield.

24. On motion the the above reports are adopted.

25. Report on Orphanage read and adopted after a discussion by Rev. C. W. Sexton.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE

The Orphans' home at Thomasville and Kenedy Home at Kinston now accomodate about 900 children at a cost of $250. per year per child, approximately. Thus you can see the great needs of the institution. Your committee recommends:

1st. That each Sunday school in Ashe county take a monthly collection for the Orphanage.

2d. That a special thank-offering equal to the price of one day's labor be taken at Thanksgiving.

3d. That the churches send this institution loads of vegetables, etc. when possible.

4th. That each Christian in our churches pray for this great Christian institution and labor for its enlargement.

Repectfully submitted,

Bryan Oliver.

26. At this time pledges were taken in behalf of the Orphanage. The following brethren spoke in behalf of the groups of churches after each name and agreed to take a truck load of vegetables and produce to the Orphanage:

Rev. G. L. Trivett and Will Stuart pledged Buffalo, Ball Moun-

tain and Beaver Creek to take a load; Felix Houck and C. W. Phillips pledged a load for Big Flats, Mission Home, and Liberty Grove; E. C. Eller pledged a load for Phoenix, Tuckerdale, and Oak Hill; C. W. Sexton pledged for Long Branch one truck load; W. F. Barker pledged for Landmark one truck load; G. H. Hatfiield pledged a load for Grassy Creek, New River, Healing Springs, Pleasant Home, Little Helton, and Chestnut Hill; Lee Howell pledged a load for Pleasant Hill and Apple Grove; Frank Dillard pledged a load for Friendship and Orion.

Rev. H. L. Coffey urges the churches to contribute things that are worth while to the Orphanage and not to depend on supporting it with perishable goods alone.

27. Report on Pastoral Support was submitted by J. A. Weaver and discussed by B. H. Duncan, F. C. Nye, G. H. Hatfield, Frank Dillard, George B. Dogette, David Harless, C. J. Carter, H. L. Coffey, S. C. Blackburn and adopted by the association.

REPORT ON PASTORAL SUPPORT

There is no business worthwhile without a leader of training and ability. This leader must have a reasonable income to make the most out of his business.

The biggest business we have is God's business and I think the leader of the biggest business should at least have a comfortable living for his services to God and humanity.

I often think because the minister is looking after God's business we wait for God to pay him. Now if we are God's children it is our duty to look after the standard bearers of the great gospel that make men free.

We often criticize the minister for not being a good financier when we havent given him enough money for him to learn how to spend it.

Let all the great host of Baptists stand by their ministers and pay them just as much as other men of equal training get. We will be blessed with great things if we will only do our part.

Respectfully submitted, John A. Weaver, Com.

28. Association adjourned by singing "In a Land Where We'll Never Grow Old." Prayer by E. R. Settle.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON, 1:30

29. The association was opened with beautiful singing by the Buffalo and West Jefferson choirs.

30. Report of Finance Committee was submitted and read. After a discussion by the Clerk and Rev. S. C. Blackburn it was adopted.

REPORT ON FINANCE

We, the Finance Committee make the following report

Minute funds,	$64.85
Co-operative Program,	15.00
Total, - - - -	$79.85

W. A. Campbell, E. C. Eller, W. D. Brown, Com.

31. A collection was taken to supplement the minute funds. The amount was $27.34.

32. Moved that the association appoint Rev. S. C. Blackburn, D. C. Severt, together with the Moderator and Clerk as a committee to proof read the minutes.

33. Moved that owing to providential conditions, the association do the best it can to complete the business of the association and adjourn the annual session in decency and order at the end of the present day—Saturday, Sept. 1, 1928.

34. Report on Resolutions read and adopted.

REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS

We your Committee on Resolutions submit the following report:

Be it resolved:

1. That we in session with Landmark Baptist church, extend to the church and entire community our heart felt thanks of appreciation of their generosity, courtesy and most excellent hospitality in entertaining the Ashe Association with all its visitors.

2. That this association stands by its organization in prayer; in giving and in service till the kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Christ. Respectfully submitted,

Rev. C. W. Sexton, Rev. E. Blevins, G. H. Hatfield, Com.

35. Report on Temperance read by Rev. W. E. Denney and discussed by B. H. Duncan.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

The temperance question is the greatest question in our country today, Socially, Religiously, and Politically. The crying need of our country today is real men and women.

We need men and women who will come out in the open and fight the liquor buisness, most of the information passed to our courts today is by unsigned letters, or asking the officials not to use their names as they are afraid of the Moon-Shiner.

If men and women who say that they are Christians would have enough courage, and genuine manhood to stand for the thing that they know is right, it would greatly relieve the situation.

If Church-members would quit patronizing the boot-leggers fifty per cent. of them would have to go out of business.

Therefore be it resolved by the Ashe Baptist Association in its 42d annual session:—

FIRST. That we pray unceasingly that God will give us the much needed courage to stand against this evil.

SECOND. That we need the very best officers that can be gotten, officers that cannot be bribed by fabulous sums offered by the Boot-leggers.

THIRD. That we use all our power to secure the nomination and election of such officers as we feel will enforce the prohibition laws.

FOURTH. That we hereby express our undying allegiance to the 18th Amendment, and stand uncompromisingly against any Nulification, or modification of said Amendment.

FIFTH. That a copy of this report and resolutions be incorporated in our minutes and a copy be sent to the Biblical Recorder. Submitted,

Revs. S. C. Blackburn, W. E. Denny, Com.

36. Report on Sunday Schools read by Prof. F. C. Nye and discussed by Prof. C. M Dickson.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

The Sunday-school work stands out as one of the most vital agencies in Kingdom extension and developement, and should be stressed by every pastor and church leader through out the State, nation, and the world.

The Sunday-school work is growing by leaps and bounds and is in popular favor with our people. We are realizing more and more the deep significance of Bible instruction. North Carolina has 94 Sunday-schools to each 100 churches. In North Carolina there are 85 in Sunday-school to 100 church members, yet there are thousands of Baptist church members in the South that need to be enlisted in the Sunday-schools and millions that are out of the church that need to be brought into the fold through the Sunday-school. This must be done through the Sunday-school, if it is ever accomplished.

Teacher Training

The work of training Sunday-school teachers goes forward at a rapid pace. From Nov. 1, 1926 to Nov. 1, 1927 North Carolina has received 10,738 Normal Awards. The number of Administration Awards received during the past year is 2291, an increase of 450 per cent over last year. Teacher training is our greatest need and our hardest task. We must realize that when teachers are trained and efficient, our Sunday-schools will more nearly approach the goal set

for them in the aims and purposes set forth in Sunday-school organization and work. The need for trained Sunday-school teachers is just as vital as is the need for trained preachers.

Enlargement Campaigns in single churches and in groups of churches have been put on where the schools were enlarged and graded and the new organization started to functioning.

This is needed in the Ashe Association.

The goal for the churches of the Ashe Association should be an all the year round, active and efficient Sunday-school in every church. It can be done. What shall be our response to this challenge?

Respectfully submitted, F. C. Nye.

37. Report on B.Y.P.U. read by D. C. Severt and discussed by D. C. Severt and F. C. Nye.

REPORT ON B. Y. P. U.

A Baptist Young People's Union is just as important to the life, growth, and advancement of the Church, as our right arm is to our bodily welfare.

It seems that our greatest present day need is more efficient leaders in church work. Therefore a B.Y.P.U. finds and develops young church members for leadership in the future; a want that can not be supplied in any other way.

Realizing this fact, let us join hands and hearts and at least double our present number of unions, this year, which will bring our number up to ten. Respectfully submitted,

D. C. Severt.

38. On motion the above reports were adopted.

39. Report on Place and Preacher for next year read and adopted

PLACE AND PREACHER

We, your committee on place for next session report as follows:

Place— Grassy Creek.

Preacher— Rev. H. M. Winkler.

Alternate— Rev. G. L. Trivett.

George B. Doggette, Chm.,
S. C. Blackburn, Sect'y of Com.

40. Moved that the Clerk insert into the minutes the report of the committee on Digest of Church Letters without its being read.

REPORT ON DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS

From the 37 churches represented in the association, we, your committee, make the following report:

Value of Church Property,		$50,850.00
Received by Baptism,	115	
Net Gain in Membership,	292	

Present Membership,		3,211
Finance Report:		
Pastors' Salaries,	$ 3,102.11	
Other Local Work,	3,390.07	
Local Total,	$ 6,478.18	
Missions:		
Co-operative Program,	551.25	
Orphanage,	581.32	
Other Missions,	331.17	
Total,	$1,463.75	
Grand Total for all work,	$7,941.86	
Number Sunday Schools,		31
Total Enrollment,		2,067
Average Attendance,		1,198

Respectfully submitted,

A. Dell Goodman, E. Z. Sexton, W. H. McMillan, Com.

40. Sermon by Rev. S. C. Blackburn on "The Church." Text, Solomon 10: 6. He gave a wonderful review of the history of the Baptist denomination, and brought us an inspiring message.

42. On motion adjourned until our next annual session. Prayer by Rev. W. E. Denney.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Received of Finance Committee:		
Co-operative Program,		$ 20.00
Minutes and Clerk		64.85
Collection for Minutes,		27.34
Total,		$112.19
Paid:		
To Walters Durham,	$ 20.00	
Postage and Stationery,	10.00	
Printing Minutes,	75.00	
Total,	$105.00	
Balance for Clerk,		$7.19

CHURCH DIRECTORIES

Ordained Ministers in the Association

Name and Address	Church of which a Member	Work
Barker, W. F. Grassy Creek	Landmark	Member
Blackburn, S. C. West Jefferson	West Jefferson	Pastor
Blevins, J C Grassy Creek	Pleasant Home	Pastor
Blevins, J J, Grassy Creek	Pleasant Home	Member
Blevins, L W, Grassy Creek	"	Pastor
Blevins, E, Grassy Creek	Landmark	Member
Blackburn, M D Grassy Creek	Little Helton	Pastor
Blackburn, W R Jefferson	Oak Hill	Member
Burkett, R M "	Friendship	Pastor
Campbell, N W, Hemlock	Big Laurel	Member
Childers Joseph Grassy Creek	New River	Member
Cockerham T J Nathans Creek	Friendship	Member
Davis, John A, Hemlock	Big Laurel	Member
Denny, W E, Grassy Creek	Landmark	Pastor
Denney, G L, Grassy Creek	Landmark	Member
Dolinger, R L, Sturgills	Little Helton	Member
Eller E A, Grassy Creek	Pleasant Home	Pastor
Goodman, C F Todd	Laurel Knob	Member
Gaultney H H, Grassy Creek	Little Helton	Member
Grubb T W, Todd	Laurel Knob	Member
Haire P H, Fleetwood	Big Flats	Member
Hamby, J M, Bina	Phoenix	Member
Hayes T M, Nathans Creek	Liberty Hill	Member
Howell J G, Jefferson	Landmark	Member
Howell, Lee, Tuckerdale	Pleasant Hill	Pastor
Hurley W L, Crumpler	Landmark	Member
Hodgson J F, Smethport	Buffalo	Pastor
Miller Ed O, Reno	Glendale Springs	Member
Neeves J M, Crumpler	New River	Member
Powers, Arthur, Lansing	Long Branch	Member
Sexton J D, Edison	Long Branch	Pastor
Sexton C W, Lansing	Landmark	Pastor
Spencer J O, Grassy Creek	Grassy Creek	Pastor
Stanley J F, Hemlock	Baptist Home	Member
Trivette, Rosco, Creston	Peak Valley	Pastor
Trivette J S, Fleetwood	Big Flats	Pastor

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TABLE I.- CHURCH MEMBERSHIP ETC. Ashe Baptist Association Aug. 1928.

CHURCHES	In Town, Village or Country?	When Constituted	PASTORS AND POST OFFICES	Days of Meeting	Membership Reported Last Year	Received by Baptism	By Letter	Statements	Restoration	Lost: By Letter	Exclusion	Erasures	Deaths	Total Present Members	Weekly Prayer Meetings	Revival Meetings held during the Year	Observed Lord's Supper	Families taking Recorder
Apple Grove	C	1860	No pastor	....	36	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	29	no	no	no	..
Baptist Home	c	1890	H. M. Winkler, Todd, N.C.	3	58	1	0			1	1		1	56	no	1		1
Ball Mountain	c	1910	S.C.Blackburn, W.Jefferson	1-2	118	7	2							126	no	1	1	4
			" "	3	45									45	no	no	1	3
Beaver Creek	c												1	128	1	1	1	
Bethel	c	1851	R M Burkett, Jefferson, NC	2	120	7	1	1			3			85	yes	1	2	3
Big Flatts	c	1905	G L Trivett, Beaver Creek	1	82	6					2		2	30	no	1	1	1
Big Laurel	c	1895	J R Trivett, Toliver	1	34					3				66	no	1	1	
Bristol	c	1888	J C Blevins, Grassy Creek "	1	67	1	1				3			115	no	no	1	6
Buffalo	c	1869	G L Trivett, Beaver Creek	1-3	117	1								18	no	2	1	1
Chestnut Hill	c	1928	H L Coffey, Warrensville	2		7	11							26*				
Clifton	c	No report.																
Forest Home	c	1871	H L Coffey, Warrensville "	3	26	2	2			1			1	28	no	1	1	
Friendship	c	1880	W E Denney, Grassy Creek	3	115	8				2			1	120	no	1	1	
HealingSprings.	c	1888	J O Spencer, Grassy Creek	1	154	13	3			13	1		1	155	no	1	1	
Glendale "	c	No report.												41*				
Grassy Creek	c	1927	J O Spencer, Grassy Creek	3	33	2	3	3						41	no	no	no	5
Jefferson	T	No report.												56*				
Land Mark	c	1856	J D Sexton, Edison, NC	4	201	2			2	4	5			196	no	1	1	3
Laurel Knob	c	1912	H M Winkler, Todd	1-2	107	8	7		1	6				117	yes	1	1	1
Liberty Grove	c	No report.												95*				
Liberty Hill	c		Lester Blevins, GrassyCr'k	3	52	7					2			57				

Little Helton	c	1923	M D Blackburn, "	2	48	2	1	2		1				52	no	1	1	
Long Branch	c	1889	Lee Howell, White Top, Va.	3	69									69	no	1	1	
Mission Home	c	1900	G L Trivett, Beaver Creek	4	108	3	2			2				111	no	1		
Mountain View	c		J R Trivett, Toliver, NC		34									34				
New River	c	1889	J O Spencer, Grassy Creek	4	166	2				4			1	159	no	1	1	3
Oak Hill	c	1927	J O Blevins, "	3	17	10	10					1		36	yes	1	1	
Obids	c	1892	R M Burkett, Jefferson	4	71	2	1						1	73	no	1	1	
Old Fields	c	1803	J L Greene, Deep Gap, NC	3	148	13		2	4	1		2	156	yes	1	1		
Orion	c	1911	R M Burkett, Jefferson	1	66	1								67	no	no	1	2
Peak Valley	c	1892	J R Trivett, Toliver	4	53		2							55	no	no	2	
Phœnix	c	1908	W E Denny, Grassy Creek	2	99	7	2	6						114	no	1	1	6
Pilot Mountain	c	1915	J R Trivrtt, Toliver	4	55				5					50	no	1	1	
Pleasant Hill	c	1894	Lee Howell, Husk, NC	4	37	1			2	2	11	2	21	no	1	1		
Pleasant Home	c	1870	W E Denny, Grassy Creek	4	103	6	3		12				100	no	1	1		
Pleasant Valley	c	1926	M D Blackburn, Grassy C'k	1	53		5		3	1			54	no	2	1		
Smethport	v	1923	H L Coffey, Smethport	2	72				2			2	68	no	no	no		
Tuckerdale	v	1915	W E Denny, Grassy Creek	1	78				3	1			74	no	no	1		
Valley Home	c	1916	H M Winkler, Todd	4	88				1				89	no	2	2		
West Jefferson	T	1916	S C Blackburn, W. Jefferson	1,2,3,4	175		2		3				174	yes	1	1	6	
Meadow View	c		E A Eller, Grassy Creek	1									11					
Totals,					2900	115	57	6	11	79	22	12	15	3211				45

°Last year's statistics.

BRYAN OLIVER, Clerk Ashe Baptist Association, Grassy Creek, N. C.

Trivette G L, Beaver Creek	Bald Mountain	Pastor
Wilcox, Jo, Summit	Obids	Member
Winkler, H M, Todd	Laurel Knob	Pastor

Licensed Ministers

Name and Address	Church of which a Member
Blackburn, W. W., Grassy Creek.	Oak Hill
Facello, Frank, ...W. Va.	Pleasant Home
Powers, Herbert, Lansing.	Long Branch

MINISTERS Who have care of Churches, but do not have Membership in the Churches of this Association :

Names	Addresses
Coffey, H. L.	Warrensville, N. C.
Greene, J. L.	Deep Gap, N. C.

To the officers in the churches of the Ashe Association :

Your Clerk again wishes to earnestly request that a more accurate record be kept in the churches. The data from which these minutes are made is taken from the letters which you send to the association. When items are blank we must either leave them blank or guess at them, either of which is unsatisfactory. Many mistakes which are charged to your clerk or printer may be due to incomplete reports. Please take pains to be accurate next year.

Respectfully yours,

(Signed) BRYAN OLIVER,

Clerk Ashe Baptist Association.

B. Y. P. U. PRESIDENTS AND ADDRESSES

Friendship	W. R. Weaver	Jefferson
West Jeffersan	Pauline Faw	West Jefferson

Table VI.- B. Y. P. U's Ashe Baptist Association August 1928.

CHURCHES	Senior Unions	Seniors Enrolled	Total Enrolled	Total Systematic Givers in All Unions	Total Number Daily Bible Readers
Bald Mountain	1	43	43	15	20
Friendship	1	26	26	.....	.....
West Jefferson	1	35	35	12	18
Total	3	104	104	37	38

Bryan Oliver Clerk of Ashe Baptist Association, Grassy Creek.

W. M. U. PRESIDENTS AND ADDRESSES

Beaver Creek	Mrs J. O. Goodman	Beaver Creek, N.C.
Buffalo	Myrtle Campbell	Beaver Creek, N.C.
West Jefferson	Mrs. S. C. Blackburn,	West Jefferson, N C.

Table VII.-Woman's Work of Ashe Baptist Association, August 1928.

CHURCHES	Number of Societies	Number of Y W A's	No. of G A's	No. of R A's	Number of Sunbeams	Total WMU Organizations	W M S Members	Total Members Enrolled	Gifts to Local Church Work	Gifts to Benevolence & Missions	Total Gifts
Big Flats	1	..	..	..	..	..	9	.....	100.00	17.00	117.00
West Jefferson	1	1	1	1	1	5	18	18		63.31	63.31
Totals	2	1	1	1	1	5	27		100.00	80.31	180.31

Some Societies were not reported on letters.

Bryan Oliver Clerk of Ashe Association, Grassy Greek, N. C.

TABLE II.-SUNDAY SCHOOLS OF Ashe Baptist Association, N. C., Aug. 1928.

CHURCHES	In Town, Village or Country?	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST OFFICES	Officers and Teachers	Beginners 3 to 5 Years.	Primaries 6-8 Years	Juniors 9-12 Years	Intermediates 13-16 Years	Young People 17-24 Years	Adults 24 Years Up	Cradle Roll Under 3 years	Total Enrollment	Average Attendance	Is School Graded?	Is it Standard A—1?	Normal Diplomas	Baptism from School	Gifts to Local Church Work	To Missions, Orphanage etc
Apple Grove	C	Retie Nance, White Top, Va.	4	20	8	10	12	.....	.....	..	54	35	.....	.....	..	..	.....	.....
Baptist Home	c	No S. S.																
Ball Mountain	c	W. L. Houck, Beaver Creek	5	10	10	20	18		17		80	50	no	no			18.54	
Beaver Creek	c	No S. S.									69	33				7	7.70	11.46
Bethel	c	T H Brown, Oval, NC	4															
			7	12	12	15	18		18		82	35	yes	no	1	5	15.00	28.58
Big Flatts	c	J L Bumgarner, Fleetwood	5	10	6	15	10	12	10		67	25	no				1.00	3.00
Big Laurel	c	Mrs Mattie Roten, Hemlock	5	4	5	6	4	5	5	4	38	25						
Bristol	c	Avery Mullis, Jefferson	6	5	3	5	4	5	15	3	46	20				1	15.87	4.79
Buffalo	c	B S Harless, Smethport	5	20		29			29		83	37	yes	no			6.51	
Chestnut Hill	c	W H McMillan, Crumpler																
Clifton	c	No report.	8								62	40						
Forest Home	c	J H Ashley, Warrensville	6								75	30					11.70	7.00
Friendship	c	G C Burkett, Jefferson	8	6	12	15	18	26	18	5	108	65	no	no			8.26	7.50
HealingSprings.	c	J F Phipps, Jefferson																
Glendale "	c		7	15	20	30	40				162	70	yes	no	2	1	12.00	7.50
Grassy Creek	c	G H Hatfield																
Jefferson	T	No report.	7	8	12	12	15	15			85	69	no	no		2	14.00	
Land Mark	c	M F Denny, Grassy Creek	7		15	12	4	10	10		58	40	no	no			10.00	
Laurel Knob	c	G S Holman, Todd																
Liberty Grove	c	No report.																
Liberty Hill	c	No S. S.																

Little Helton	c	W. R. Lovelace, Grassy Creek	5		10	8		14	14		53	42				4.65		
Long Branch	c	E Z Sexton, Edison	6	18	8	13	8	10	12	5	80	65	yes	no		3.00		
Mission Home	c	C T Walker, Fleetwood	5	10		18	12		15		60	32	yes		3			
Mountain View	c	No S. S.																
New River	c	R D Brown, Weavers Ford	7	15	9	15	6		12		64	50	yes	no	1	7.50	4.31	
Oak Hill	c	W R Blackburn, Jefferson	4								35	20						
Old Fields	c	Willie Blackburn, Hopkins	8								70	45	no	no		8.81	2.04	
Obids	c	D H Burgess, Obids	5								50	31				3.00		
Orion	c	J F Dillard, Jefferson	6	6	4	8	12	3	7		46	25	no	no	1	7.62	20.00	
Peak Valley	c	W W Eggers, Creston	9	10	10	12	8	8	22	8	87	65					15.00	
Phœnix	c	F L Wadell, Bina	7	11	9	6	7	12	20		72	40	no	no		14.00	7.25	
Pilot Mountain	c	Roby Seatz, Todd	5								50	30			1	1.50		
Pleasant Hill	c	No S. S.																
Pleasant Home	c	I W Handy, Grassy Creek	7	10		10		20	12		59	26	no	no	1			
Pleasant Valley	c	J E Phipps, Grassy Creek	5								52	35				3.50		
Smethport	v	T S Bumgarner, Smethport	6								60	30				12.00	2.50	
Tuckerdale	v	Jessie E Davis, Lansing	4		10	14	14		10		52	30				35.00	8.69	
Valley Home	c	F M Roark, Toliver	7	15	8	6	6		13		55	40				5.03		
West Jefferson	T	J C Goodman, Beaver Creek	9								150	83	no	no		58.50	149 36	
			189	170	149	217	221	120	264	25	2067	1198			6	20	284.69	273 84

Blank items: No report.

Proceedings of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Ashe Baptist Association 3rd Annual Session

The 3rd annual meeting of the W. M. U., auxiliary to the Ashe Baptist Association, met with the Buffalo church July 12th 1928.

The meeting opened Thursday a. m. at 11 o'clock with Mrs. J. O. Goodman presiding.

"Footsteps of Jesus" was sung.

The Scripture lesson was read by the Superintendent.

Rev. S. C. Blackburn offered prayer.

Miss Myrtle Campbell of Buffalo, very graciously welcomed the Union.

The response was given by Mrs. J. W. Gambill of West Jefferson.

Roll call of Societies:

Big Flats, W. M. S.

Beaver Creek, W. M. S.

West Jefferson, W. M. S., Y. W. A., G. A., and Sunbeam Band all had encouraging reports.

Mrs. F. C. Nye, Young People's Leader of the association, gave a report on the work being done by the young people.

Enlistment plans of the Ruby Anniversary were made clear, and ably discussed by Miss Lucile Gambill.

Mrs. B. E. Reeves, the Mission Study Leader of the association, gave a report on the work she is doing which was very instructive and full of information.

The conference on Young People's Work was discussed by Mrs. Hal Doggett, Sunbeams Leader, Mrs. S. C. Blackburn, G. A. Leader, and Mrs. F. C. Nye, Y. W. A. Counselor, all of West Jefferson Baptist church.

Committees on Time and Place, and on Resolutions were named:

Time and Place: Miss Minnie Haire, Mrs. J. C. Gambill, Mrs. Hal Doggett.

Resolutions: Mrs. J. C. Gambill, Miss Haire, Mrs. F. C. Nye.

Nominating Committee: Mesdames B. E. Reeves, J. W. Gambill, S. C. Blackburn.

At the close of the morning session the ladies enjoyed lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The devotional exercises conducted by Rev. S. C. Blackburn.

The demonstration of missionary and denominational magazines

and papers was prepared by Mrs. Hal Doggett and given by Misses Virginia Gambill, Fay Blackburn, Dorene Weaver and Louise Oliver.

This demonstration was especially helpful, as all present were made to see that a society could not do its best work without the use of the Royal Service, Home & Foreign Fields, World Comrades and the Biblical Recorder.

It was also full of information and inspiration.

The Associational Standard was explained and commented upon by Miss Lenna Gambill.

A wonderfully instructive paper on the Margaret Fund and W.M.U. Training School was read by Miss Minnie Haire.

Requirements of an A-I. Society was made clear by Mrs. F.C. Nye.

The Com. on Nominations reported the following officers for re-election:— Mrs. J. O. Goodman Supt.; Mrs. S. C. Blackburn Assistant Supt ; Mrs. Geo. Oliver Sec.; Mrs. B. E. Reeves Mission Study Leader; Mrs. F. C. Nye Young People's Leader.

Committee on Time and Place recommended that the Supt. confer with some church and the time be arranged to suit the State officer, announcement to be made later thru county papers.

Report on Resolutions was given by Mrs. J. C. Gambill.

On motion all the reports were adopted and a rising vote of thanks was given Mrs. F. C. Nye for the service rendered the Union during her three years in the association.

The minutes of the two sessions read and approved.

A collection amounting to .60 for asso. expenses was taken.

The benediction was pronounced by the Superintendent, thus closing the 3rd annual meeting of the W. M. U. of the Ashe Baptist Association.

MRS. F. C. NYE, Sec. pro tem.

TABLE III.- CHURCH PROPERTY Ashe Baptist Association, N. C., Aug. 1928.

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS AND POST OFFICES	Does your Church own its House of Worship?	When was it Built?	Material Used	Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	Are all Departments in S. S. Provided for?	Are all S. S. Classes Provided For?	Value of Church House and Grounds	Total Value all Church Property	Indebtedness on all Church Property	Insurance Carried
Apple Grove	H. A. Miller, White Top, Va.	yes	1860	wood	.....	1		yes	$600	$600	$	$ .....
Baptist Home	L. J. Sturgill, Parker, NC	yes	1896	wood	200	1	no	no	300	300		
Ball Mountain	Clark Houck, Beaver Creek	yes	1910	wood	400	1	yes	yes	1000	1000		
Beaver Creek	L H Goodman, Beaver Creek	yes	.....	wood	400	1	no		800	800		
Bethel	T H Brown, Oval	yes	1922	wood	300	1			3000	3000		
Big Flatts	Mrs W F Church, Fleetwood	yes	1908	wood		1	no	no	1200	1200		
Big Laurel	Earl Roten, Hemlock	yes	.....	wood	200	1	yes	no	500	500		
Bristol	T A Johnston, Jefferson	yes	1928	wood		1			700	700		
Buffalo	B S Harless, Smethport	yes	1869	wood	250	1			700	700		
Chestnut Hill	I N Hudler, Crumpler	no										
Clifton	No report.											
Forest Home	J H Ashley, Warrensville	yes	1874	wood	200				500	500		
Friendship	Foster Brown, Jefferson	yes	1909	wood	400	1			1600	1600		
HealingSprings	G R Ham, Crumpler	yes	1897	wood	350	1	no	no	3000	3000		
Glendale "	No report.											
Grassy Creek	M W Blevins, Grassy Creek	yes	1928	wood	300	1			3000	3000	200	
Land Mark	T A Jones, Grassy Creek	yes	1909	wood	300	1			3000	3000		
Laurel Knob	G S Holman, Todd	yes	1905	wood	200	1			1000	1000		
Liberty Grove	No report.											
Liberty Hill	J H Wagoner, Nathans Creek	yes	1910	wood	300	1			400	400		
Little Helton	Chas Hearly, Grassy Creek	yes	1923	wood	300	1			1200	1200	20	

Long Branch	J. G. Welch, Lansing	yes	1920	wood	300	1			1500	1500		
Mission Home	J F Blackburn, Fleetwood	yes	1900	wood	300	1	yes	no	1600	1600		
Mountain View	John Coldiron, Eldreth	yes	1925	wood	200	1	yes	yes	1000	1000		
Meadow View	Flora Waddell, Grassy Creek	yes	.....	wood	250	1			2000	2000		
New River	W E Brown, Weavers Ford	yes	.....	wood	400	1			1500	2000		
Oak Hill	W R Blackburn, Jefferson	yes	1927	wood					2000	2000	800	
Old Fields	E F Phipps, Idlewild	yes	1926	wood	400	1	no		4000	4000		
Obids	H M Brown, Obids	yes	1902	wood	400	1			1000	1000		
Orion	J F Dillard, Jefferson	yes	1911	wood	200	1	no	no	2000	2000		
Peak Valley	W W Eggers, Creston	yes	.....	wood	200	1	no	no	600	600		
Phœnix	Mrs T L Waddell, Bina	yes	1912	wood	300	2	yes	yes	2500	2500		1500
Pilot Mountain	C Tucker, Brownwood	yes	.....	wood	200	1	no	no	500	500		
Pleasant Hill	T R Miller, White Top, Va.	yes	1899	wood	350	1			800	800		
Pleasant Home	L P Phipps, Grassy Creek	yes	1898	wood	250	1	no	no	2000	2000		
Pleasant Valley	E W Phipps, Grassy Creek	yes	.....	wood	200	1	no	no	1000	1000		
Smethport	Dennis Lewis, Jefferson	yes	1923	wood	250	1	no					
Tuckerdale	Miss Rosetta Powers, Tuckerd'l	yes	1917	wood	300	1	yes		1500	1500		
Valley Home	D R Jones, Toliver	yes	.....	wood	100	1			1000	1000		
West Jefferson	F B Jones, W. Jefferson	no	.....	.....	400				2750	2750	240	
	Totals,				9300				50,850	50,850	2770[?]	1500

BRYAN OLIVER, Clerk Ashe Baptist Association, Grassy Creek, N. C.

HISTORICAL TABLE ASHE ASSOCIATION, 1922-1928 INCSUSIVE.

Date of each Annual Meeting	Place of each AnnualMeeting	Moderator of Each Annual Meeting	Clerk of Each Annual Meeting	Introductory Sermon By Whom Preached
Aug. 31, Sept 1, 1922	Bethel	Prof. J. C. Goodman	J. W. Duncan	Rev. S. C. Blackburn
August 30-31, 1923	Healing Springs	Prof. J. C. Goodman	W. C. Johnston	Rev. H. T. Penry
August 29-30, 1924	Tuckerdale	Prof. J. C. Goodman	W. C. Johnston	Rev. T. M. Hayes
August 28-29, 1925	West Jefferson	Prof. J. C. Goodman	J. G. Welch	Rev. J. A. Brendle
August 27-28, 1926	Orion	Prof. J. C. Goodman	J. G. Welch	Dr. Chas. E. Maddry
August 26,27,28, 1927	Buffalo	Prof. J. C. Goodman	Bryan Oliver	Rev. J. O. Spencer
Aug. 31, Sept. 1, 1928	Landmark	Prof. J. C. Goodman	Bryan Oliver	Rev. C. W. Sexton

Our Comrades Who Have Answered The Last Roll Call Since 1927.

Forest Home:—

Bro. John A. Johnson

Friendship:—

Mrs. America Shatley.

Healing Springs: —

Mr. David Hudler.

New River:—

Mrs. Emma Perry.

Old Fields:—

Mr. J. D. Cheek,
Mr. Joe Blackburn.

Smethport:—

Mr. Evert Day,
Mr. Steven Sturgill.

Big Laurel:—

Elder N. W. Campbell,
Mrs. N. W. Campbell.

Two obituaries—Dollie Gambill and Mollie Hurley— were called for in the manuscript but did not appear, and I failed to get them.— Printer.

TABLE IV.- FOR LOCAL CHURCH WORK, Ashe Baptist Association, Aug. 1928.

CHURCHES	REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES	Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help	Building & Repairs	Incidentals	Literature for S. S., B.Y.P.U and W.M.S.	To Local Poor	Printing Minutes and Clerk	Other Objects	Total for Support Local Church Work
Apple Grove		50.00									50.00
Baptist Home	L. J. Sturgill, Parker	56.75	19.00		3.00				1.00		79.75
Ball Mountain	W. L. Houck, Beaver Creek	205.92		50.00			36.94		3.00		295.86
Beaver Creek	L. H. Goodman, Beaver Creek	75.00							2.00		77.00
Bethel	T. H. Brown, Oval	66.50		37.00		1.46	4.90		2.00		111.86
Big Flatts	T. L. Houck, Fleetwood	70.55		14.00		12.94	15.00	80.00	2.00		194.49
Big Laurel	Earl Roten, Hemlock	25.00		4.00	1.00						30.00
Bristol	T A Johnston, Jefferson	44.95		16.00	500.00				2.00		562.95
Buffalo	Miss Myrtle Campbell, B. Creek	111.87					15.87		3.00	3.00	133.74
Chestnut Hill	W H McMillan, Crumpler	38.00		50.00			6.51		1.75		96.26
Clifton	No Report.										
Forest Home	J H Ashley, Warrensville	75.00		15.00			2.88	10.00	2.50		105.38
Friendship	T K Luther, Jefferson	120.97		28.28			14.20		3.00		166.45
HealingSprings.	G R Ham, Crumpler	85.00		60.00		10.00	8.26		3.00		166.26
Glendale "	No report.										
Grassy Creek	S P Hale, Grassy Creek	54.25			1000 00				2.00	12.00	1068.25
Jefferson	No report.										
Land Mark	T A Jones, Grassy Creek	75.00			125.00	15.00	14.00	15.00	5.00		249.00
Laurel Knob	Lawson Edwards, Todd	114.00		25.00		3.00	10.00		1.50		153.50
Liberty Grove	No report.										
Liberty Hill	J H Wagoner, Nathans Creek								1.50		1.50
Little Helton	Chas Hurley, Grassy Creek	14.15		15.00	100.00				2.10		131.25

Long Branch	J. G. Welch, Lansing	25.00	5.00			3.00		2.00		35.00
Mission Home	J F Blackburn, Fleetwood			167.05		14.13	23.18	1.55		205.91
Mountain View		25.00	4.00							29.00
Meadow View								1.00		1.00
New River	W D Brown, Weavers Ford	90.00	5.50		5 80	7.30		3.65		112.25
Oak Hill	W R Blackburn, Jefferson	50.00	2.00				15.00	1.50		68.50
Obids		50.66	7.50	5.00			16.00	1 00		80.16
Old Fields	Mrs Cora Cheek, Hopkins	124.75	35.65	132.05	1.90			2.32		296.67
Orion	N J Bare, Jefferson	72.40				7.62	20.00	2.00		102.02
Peak Valley	W W Eggers, Creston	45.00		22.00		12.00		2.00		81.00
Phœnix	Mrs F L Waddell, Bina	147.00	50.50	113.75	15.00	14.00		5.00		345.25
Pilot Mountain	W H Phillips, Brownwood	26.90	3.50					1.00		31.40
Pleasant Hill	T R Miller, White Top, Va.	19.60					11.00	1.00		31.60
Pleasant Home	L P Phipps, Grassy Creek	60.10			3.75	8.82		3.50		76.17
Pleasant Valley	E W Phipps, " "	47.00		25.00		3.50		3.00		78.50
Smethport	Richard Bumgarner, Smethport	60.00				12.00		1.15		73.15
Tuckerdale	Wade H Darnell, Tuckerdale	70.00				35.00	16.00	3.05	12.00	136.05
Valley Home	D R Jones, Toliver	64.75		24.52	10.00		5.00	1.50		105.77
West Jefferson	I R Campbell, West Jefferson	841.01			50.00			5.00	19.17	915.21
	TOTALS	3,102.10	19.00	427.93	2,218.37	128.85	245.93	211;18	78.57	46.17	6,478.11

BRYAN OLIVER, Clerk Ashe Baptist Association, Grassy Creek, N. C.

TABLE V.- GIFTS TO MISSIONS ETC.

Ashe Baptist Association, Aug. 1928.

CHURCHES	Gifts to Co-operative Program	State Missions	Schools and Colleges	Hospitals	Orphanage	Total all Missions, Education and Benevolence	Total Local, Ch. Exp. Missions & Benevolences	Pledged to Co operative Prog. Next yr
Apple Grove							50.00	
Baptist Home	5.00					5.00	84.75	
Ball Mountain	21.17			25.00	28.58	74.75	370.61	
Beaver Creek							77.00	
Bethel			39.00	4.91		43.91	155.77	
Big Flatts	25.70			11.00	28.58	65.28	259.77	50.00
Big Laurel							30.00	
Bristol							562.95	
Buffalo	25.00				28.79	53.79	187.53	50.00
Chestnut Hill			31.00			31.00	127.26	20.00
Clifton								
Forest Home					3.00	3.00	108.38	
Friendship	25.00				18.00	43.00	209.45	
HealingSprings.	65.00			7.50	18.00	80.50	246.76	50.00
Glendale "	No report.							
Grassy Creek	50.00		65.30	7.50	29.00	202.00	1270.25	50.00
Jefferson	No report.							
Land Mark	12.50				5.00	17.50	266.50	37.50
Laurel Knob	10.00				5.00	15.00	168.50	20.00
Liberty Grove	No report.							
Liberty Hill	10.00					10.00	11.50	
Little Helton					10.00	10.00	141.25	
Long Branch					75.00	75.00	110.00	
Mission Home					78.72	78.72	284.63	
Mountain View							29.00	
Meadow View							1.00	
New River	45.35	2.00		1.71	22.80	71.86	184.11	75.00
Oak Hill							68.50	
Old Fields	10.00					10.00	306.67	5.00
Obids							80.16	
Orion	25.00					25.00	127.02	25.00
Peak Valley					15.00	15.00	96.00	
Phœnix	70.00		15.00		19.25	104.25	449.50	60.00
Pilot Mountain							31.40	
Pleasant Hill							31.60	
Pleasant Home	12.85				8.00	20.85	97.02	
PleasantValley							78.50	
Smethport							73.15	
Tuckerdale	20.00				3.69	23.69	109.74	20.00
Valley Home				5.00		5.00	110.77	
West Jefferson	118.68	66.06			184.91	369 65	1284.88	150.00
TOTALS,	551.25	68.06	150.50	62.62	581.32	1463.75	7941.86	622.50

Grassy Creek $50. for Foreign Missions included in its total, above

PROGRAM ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

TO BE HELD WITH

Grassy Creek Baptist Church

Near the High School, Grassy Creek, N. C.

Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 30 & 31 and Sept. 1, 1929.

J. C. Goodman Moderator, Beaver Creek, N. C.
Bryan Oliver Clerk, Grassy Creek, N. C.

FRIDAY MORNING, AUGUST 30

10:00 Introductory Sermon— Rev. H. M. Winkler.
10:30 Election of Officers.
10:45 Reception of Churches and Visitors.
11:00 Appointment of Committees.
11:15 Report on Biblical Recorder.
11:30 Co-operative Program:
(a) Report on State Missions,
(b) Report on Home Missions,
(c) Report on Foreign Missions.
12:30 Adjournment for lunch.—Everybody bring baskets.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, AUGUST 30

1:30 Report on Christian Education.
2:00 Announcement of Homes for Messengers and Visitors.
2:15 Miscellaneous.
2:30 Sermon by Rev. W. E. Denney.

FRIDAY NIGHT, AUGUST 30

7:30 Pastors' Conference on Evangelism.
8:00 Sermon on Evangelism by Rev. J. D. Sexton.

SATURDAY MORNING, AUGUST 31

9:00 Devotional, Rev. J. O. Spencer.
9:30 Report on Baptist Hospital.
10:00 Report on Orphanage.
10:30 Roll Call of Churches for Pledges.
11:00 Report on Pastors' Salaries.
11:30 Sermon— Rev. C. W. Sexton.
12:15 Adjournment for Lunch. Everybody bring baskets.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON, AUGUST 31

1:30 Report on Old Ministers' Relief.
2:00 Report on Temperance.
2:30 Report of Finance Committee.
2:45 Report of Committee on Digest of Church Letters.
3:00 Sermon, Rev. G. L. Trivette.

SATURDAY NIGHT, AUGUST 31

7:30 Pastors' Conference on Enlistment.
8:00 Sermon on Regeneration — Rev. Lester Blevins.
8:30 Sermon on Heaven,— Rev. M. D. Blackburn.

SUNDAY MORNING, SEPT. 1

9:30 Devotional, Rev. Lester Denney.
10:00 Report on Sunday Schools.
10:45 Report on Place for Next Meeting.
10:50 Report of Committee on Resolutions.
11:00 Sermon— Rev. S. C. Blackburn.
12:00 Adjourn for Lunch. Everybody bring baskets.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON, SEPT. 1

1:00 Report on B. Y. P. U.
1:00 Report on W. M. U.
2:00 Sermon by Rev. H. L. Coffey.

Ira T. Johnston, Chairman,
J. C. Greene,
J. W. Barr,
W. T. Harless,
J. F. Dillard,
Executive Committee.

PRINTER'S NOTE— I should have been glad to have had these Minutes out earlier, but the order for printing them was not placed in my hands until in December, and at that time there were in the office contracts for printing minutes for two other associations, which of course it was necessary to dispose of before I could begin these.

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

North Carolina

1886 — 1929

Forty-third Annual Session

HELD WITH

Grassy Creek Baptist Church

August 30 and 31 and Sept. 1, 1929,

GRASSY CREEK, N. C.

NEXT MEETING:

The next annual session will be held with West Jefferson Baptist Church, West Jefferson, N. C.

Three days' session, August 29, 30 & 31, 1930.

Introductory Sermon to be delivered by Rev. H. L. Coffey; Alternate, Rev. J. O. Spencer.

Will H. McGuire's Print, Brookside, N. C.

Directory of Association

Officers:

Rev. S. C. Blackburn Moderator, ... West Jefferson, N. C.
H. A. Eller Vice President, ... Bina, N. C.
Bryan Oliver Clerk & Treasurer, ... Grassy Creek, N. C.

Executive Committee and Board of Missions:

Ira T. Johnston, Chairman, ... Jefferson, N. C.
J. C. Greene, ... Fleetwood, N. C.
W. T. Harless, ... Beaver Creek, N. C.
J. C. Goodman, ... Beaver Creek, N. C.
J. F. Dillard, ... Orion, N. C.

Member State Mission Board:

Ira T. Johnston, ... Jefferson, N. C.

Standing Committees, to report 1930

State Missions— Rev. W. E. Denney, Grassy Creek, N. C.
Home Missions— B. H. Duncan, Sutherland, "
Foreign Missions— Rev. G. L. Trivett, Beaver Creek, "
Sunday Schools— David Harless, West Jefferson, "
Biblical Recorder— J O Goodman, Beaver Creek, "
Hospitals— Rev W F Barker, Grassy Creek, "
Orphanage— H L Coffey, Smethport, "
Christian Education— Ira T Johnston, Jefferson, "
Pastoral Support— E C Eller, Bina, "
Temperance— Rev H M Winkler, Todd, "
Old Ministers' Relief— J C Goodman, Beaver Creek, "
Obituaries— J W Duncan, Beaver Creek, "
B Y P U— D C Severt, West Jefferson, "
W M U— Minnie Haire, Fleetwood, "
Digest of Church Letters— A Dell Goodman, Nettle Knob, "

List of Messengers in the 1929 Session

Apple Grove: H. A. Miller, Ed Combs, Mrs. Fred Blevins.
Baptist Home: M. F. Sturgill, W K Brown, E J Brown.
Bald Mountain: C W Campbell, W L Houck, A B Houck.
Beaver Creek: J O Goodman, W F Goodman, R L Mains.
Bethel: Dell Goodman, T H Brown, W W Phillips.
Big Flats: Minnie Haire, F L Houck.
Big Laurel: Represented by Letter.
Bristol: Charlie Mullis, W A Wallace, Emmet Bullins.
Buffalo: Cicero Harless, Walter Campbell, Miss Myrtle Campbell.
Chestnut Hill: W H McMillan, W C Wood, C E Brown.

Clifton: Nathan Richardson, K L Eller.
Friendship: David Burkett, Foster Brown.
Glendale: George Miller, Gordon Severt.
Grassy Creek: M W Blevins, Joe Peak, H P Haynes.
Healing Springs: Carl Blevins, Jim Hudler, Roy Parlier.
Jefferson: Ira T Johnston, Mrs F W Testerman, G T Badger.
Landmark: J C Jones, D A Denney, C C Parsons.
Laurel Knob: Reece Grubb, Lawson Edwards, G S Holman.
Liberty Hill: H L Goodman, Floyd Blevins, J H Wagoner.
Little Helton: Joe Waddell, John Ball, Lee Waddell.
Long Branch: Mrs J G Welsh, Mrs C W Sexton, Margaret Ham.
Mission Home: J H Gentry, Albert Goodman, J F Blackburn.
Meadow View: John Waddell, Martha Waddell, Flora Waddell.
New River: E H Handy, C L Groce, Paul Gorney.
Obids: Robert Faw, Mrs Robert Faw.
Oak Hill: L N Barker, T R Jones, Jackson Barker.
Old Fields: J E Cheek, R E Phillips, G S Fletcher.
Orion: G C Greene, Jess Bare, W H Miller.
Peak Valley: D C Michael, J S Allen, M W Munday.
Phœnix: E C Eller, F L Waddell, J W Barr.
Pleasant Hill: S V Howell, Author Hart, T R Miller.
Pleasant Home: C N Deboard, J J Pierce, Jas Sturgill.
Pleasant Valley: E W Phipps, J E Phipps, R F Blevins.
Smethport: Mae Bumgarner, James Taylor.
Tuckerdale: W R Anderson, Mrs Nannie Tucker: Mrs H A Eller.
Valley Home: W R Miller, James Reed, D R Jones.
West Jefferson: G B Dogette, J W Gambill, H C Tucker,
Weaverville: Howard Rhodes.
Liberty Grove: M H Goodman, J W Greene.

CONSTITUTION

NAME

Article 1. This body shall be called the Ashe Association.

Objects

Article 2. The object of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the gospel in our bounds, and in all the world, and in this work the Association will co-operate with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

Membership

Article 3. The members of this body shall be all the ordained

ministers of the churches of this Association, and three delegates from each church, who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment and giving statistics of the membership and work of the church.

Organization

Article 4. At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer in such a way as the Association may direct. The last two offices may be held by the same brother.

Duties of Officers

Article 5. The Moderator shall preside at all meetings, preserve order, appoint committees, and perform such duties as are required of presiding officers.

Article 6. The Clerk shall keep a correct record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing and distribution to the churches, the proceedings of the body.

Article 7. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent to the Association, to pay them out as the Association may direct, and make a report at each annual session.

Time and Place

Article 8. The Association shall hold an annual meeting at such time and place as may be agreed upon.

Appointments

Article 9. At each annual meeting there shall be appointed an executive committee of five brethren who shall look after the destitution in the bounds of this Association, and co-operate with the State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention, making to the next session a report of the work done and all the general State Mission work.

Article 10. The Association shall convene annually on the last Friday in August. At each annual session there shall be appointed committees to make reports to the ensuing session, on the following subjects, to-wit: State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Pastoral Support, Ministerial Education, Baptist Orphanage, Biblical Recorder, Temperance, Digest of Church Letters, Finance, Place and Preacher for next Association, and Baptist Hospital.

Order of Religious Exercises

Article 11. Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

Article 12. In addition to the introductory sermon, the committee on religious exercises shall arrange at least one other sermon each day the Association is in session and all business shall be suspended while the sermon is being delivered; but no sermon shall be sched-

uled while the Association is engaged in a business session.

Prerogatives

Article 13. The Association will not retain in permanent fellowship any church that retains in its fellowship any member who is disorderly in doctrine or practice, or who makes, sells, or in any way deals in ardent spirits as a beverage.

Constitution— How Amended

Article 14. This Constitution may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual session.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES

1st We believe in only one true and living God, and that there are three persons in the God-head, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, and that these three are one.

2nd. We believe that the Bible, the New and Old Testaments, is the Word of God and the only rule of faith and practice.

3rd. We believe in the impotency of man and the sovreignty of God.

4th. We believe that salvation is by Grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5th. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ to be practiced only by believers in their spiritual order.

6th. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator, and that those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and doctrine, should take the Lord's Supper.

7th. We believe in the final perseverance of the saints in grace to glory.

8th. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment.

9th. We believe that the existence of the righteous and the wicked will both be of eternal duration, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

RULES OF ORDER

1st. Every session shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2d. When the Moderator calls the house to order, every member shall at once take his seat.

3d. When a member wishes to speak he shall rise and address the Moderator, and not proceed till he is recognized.

4th. No member shall speak more than twice on any subject except by permission of the body.

5th. No member shall leave the body during the session without permission of the Moderator.

6th. It shall be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold private conversation while any person is speaking.

RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS

— OF THE —

Forty-third Annual Session

— OF THE —

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

HELD WITH

Grassy Creek Baptist Church

GRASSY CREEK, N. C.

1929

1 The Ashe Missionary Baptist Association met in its 43d annual session with Grassy Creek Baptist church Friday, August 30, 1929 at 10 a. m.

Introductory sermon by Rev. G. L. Trivette. Text, Acts 16: 9. Theme: "The Macedonian Call, or America's Supreme Challenge to the World."

2. Election of officers:—

Rev. S. C. Blackburn elected Moderator.

Bryan Oliver elected Clerk and Treasurer.

3. Reception of visiting brethren:—

Dr. W. R. Bradshaw, Catawba River association.

Dr. M L. Kesler, Mills Home Baptist Orphanage.

Rev. W. A. Hash, Principal Oak Hill Academy, New River asso.

Rev. J. F. Fletcher, New River association.

W. H. Johnson, Clerk New River association.

Rev. R. L. Shirley representing Biblical Recorder.

J. M. Young, Lebanon association.

Rev. T. R. Warren, New River association.

Rev. David Blackburn, New River association,

were seated with the body.

4. Appointment of committees:

Finance— A. J. Blevins, F. C. Nye, Rev. Lester Blevins.

Digest of Church Letters— Lester Blevins, W. H. McMillan, J. P. Barker, A. Dell Goodman.

Religious Exercises — Grassy Creek delegates and pastor.

To Nominate Executive Committee— J. C. Goodman, C. W. Sexton, I. N. Hudler, M. W. Blevins, W. A. Campbell.

Place and Preacher— Delegates from Warrensville, New River, Buffalo, West Jefferson, Old Fields, Mission Home, with J. C. Goodman as chairman.

Resolutions— Prof. J. O. Goodman, Rev. J. F. Fletcher.

Roll call of standing committees. The committees on Sunday schools, Temperance, and Old Ministers' Relief being absent, the following brethren were appointed to prepare reports:

J. C. Denney and J. C. Jones on Sunday schools.

Rev. W. E. Denney on Temperance.

J. P. Barker on Old Ministers' Relief.

6. Moved that the association change places on the program with report on Christian Education and report on Orphanage so that Dr. M. L. Kesler from Mills Home may speak on the Orphanage during the present day.

7. Moved report on Biblical Recorder be deferred and give place to report on the Co-operative Program.

7. Report on State Missions submitted by E. C. Eller and read by the Clerk; Report on Home Missions to be handed in by Rev. W. E. Denney; Report on Foreign Missions submitted and read by Rev. H. L. Coffey.

STATE MISSIONS

During the 99 years of organized work among North Carolina Baptists, the chief purpose has been to carry the Gospel, through missions and education, to the State, and from the State to the ends of the world. How well we have accomplished this work is shown by the enormous Baptist growth during this period. We've grown tremendously; however, the work is not yet completed. There are among us thousands who know not the Christ.

Instead of following the partial victory of the Seventy-five Million Campaign with enthusiasm, our interest has waned, and therefore the work has not been done that should have been done, and would have been done, had North Carolina Baptists been as loyal to the Lord and his work as they should have been.

May we awake to the responsibility and opportunity before us, and give to the work according as God has prospered us, and in this way prove that we are His, not only in word but also in deed and thereby untie the hands of our workers that they may bring in a rich harvest of souls to the kingdom of God.

Submitted. E. C. Eller, Com.

HOME MISSIONS

Notwithstanding the drastic retrenchment in our appropriations and the loss of scores of workers, the favor of God has rested upon

our misionaries in a wonderful way.

Thousands have been led to Christ, progress toward self support is manifest in many places, and the outlook is encouraging.

There will possibly be a falling off this year on account of things that have occurred in the organization of the Home Board, yet we feel that as Southern Baptists cannot afford to retrench, when there are so many thousands calling for our help.

During the last convention year, North Carolina Baptists gave to Home Missions the sum of $129,927.64.

So let us as Baptists rally to the standard of Home Missions a n d not fail our Lord because one man has proved himself a Judas to the cause. Resp. submitted.

W. E. Denney.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

The work of the Foreign Mission Board has made steady advance during the past year. There have been many dificulties in the way, but through the favor of the Lord there have appeared many encouragements. Fine progress has been made towards the reduction of the great debt which has burdened the board for so many years. The debt as set up on the books January 1, 1928 was $1,145,000. By the 1st of May 1929 this debt had been reduced to $802,506.88. This is most encouraging.

Missionaries have returned to all of our stations and have received a warm welcome. There are widespread and unmistakable evidences of a great revival. People are awaiting baptism in a great many places. They baptized last year 12,264 converts, or a little over 1000 every month or 33 every day.

In spite of all the problems on the foreign fields, we know that the gospel will certainly triumph whenever it is preached. The only discouragement worth considering is that which arises from lack of support here in the homeland. Thank God we can take care of this source of discouragement. We certainly have the resources in wealth. The question is whether we have enough spiritual sesources sufficiently strong to make us respond to the needs. Do we love Christ who died for us? Do we really bear in mind the great truth that He died not for us only, but for all the world? God has waked up the whole world in our day. He must have had some purpose in this. Will we wake up to our privilege and duty to make known in all the world his precious saving grace?

So let our spirits be like that of Rice and Judson, R. Williams and Isaiah: here Lord, send me. Respectfully submitted.

H. L. Coffey, Com.

8. Dr. W. R. Bradshaw spoke to the association on "Our Co-operative Program."

The above reports were adopted.

9. Report on Biblical Recorder was submitted by Prof. J. O. Goodman. Discussed by Rev. R. L. Shirley, J. C. Goodman, Dr. M. L. Kesler and adopted.

BIBLICAL RECORDER

The first Biblical Recorder came from the press in 1833. The Baptist State Convention of 1841 passed a resolution that a corporation be formed to sustain a Baptist periodical in the state. Fifty-nine years later substantially the same resolution was passed, and in 1901 a corporation was formed.

For lack of support the Recorder suspended publication during 1843, and in 1872 it barely escaped suspension. With these exceptions it has been published for ninety-six years. Thomas Meredith and J. H. Mills deserve honorable mention for their loyalty to, and untiring labors for, the Recorder during its critical periods.

The Recorder has witnessed the growth of North Carolina Baptists from 15,000 to 400,000. If it was needed to guide, inform and instruct fifteen or twenty thousand Baptists, surely it is needed for 400,000. When it goes regularly into homes, churches or associations, liberality, deeper spirituality, larger benevolence, and higher moral standards follow. It is a channel of information, a source of inspiration, and anchor of faith.

For two dollars a year it will make 51 visits into a home and may prove a priceless blessing to any and all who read and heed its messages. Your committee earnestly pleads the support of every Christian in Ashe county and elsewhere in increasing its circulation and thereby increasing its usefulness. Respectfully submitted.

J. O. Goodman.

10. Subscriptions were taken for the Biblical Recorder. A number subscribed.

11. Adjournment for lunch. Prayer by Rev. W. E. Denney.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, 1:30

12. Association called to order by song service led by Rev. W. E. Denney and Rev. S. C. Blackburn. Prayer by Rev. J. F. Fletcher.

13. Roll call of churches for letters.

14. Roll call of churches for minute funds.

15 Collection for minute funds—amount $10.49.

16. Report on Orphanage submitted by Rev. J. O. Spencer.

BAPTIST ORPHANAGE

The Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville was established more than forty years ago. Since J. H. Mills received the first child at Thomasville, nearly three thousand children have found shelter, food and training; the kind of training that makes useful men and women.

In addition to their education the children receive training in the different departments of the orphanage— housekeeping, farming, dairying and printing.

We are proud of the number of boys and girls that have gone out from this great institution, many of them to render service in the great kingdom work. We are sorry that hundreds of worthy children have knocked for admittance, but for the lack of room and money this door was never opened.

Brethren of the Ashe association, let us stand by the orphanage in caring for the unfortunate children of North Carolina:

1st. By observance of the once-a-month offering in our S schools,

2d. By taking a special offering in each church Thanksgiving day.

Remember that Christ said: "In as much as ye did it not to one of the least of these ye did it not to me."

Respectfully submitted,

J. O. Spencer.

Dr. M. L. Kesler, general manager of Mills Home Baptist Orphanage, spoke to the association in behalf of the Orphanage, and the report was adopted.

18. Roll call of churches for pledges for orphanage. Rev. W.E. Denney, E. W. Phipps, Felix Houck, W. W. Blackburn, C. W. Sexton, W H McMillan, E H Handy, J L Hudler, Ira T Johnston, H L Coffey, W F Barker and G S Holman agreed so assist the orphanage by getting their churches to send loads of produce.

19. Moved that the sermon for Friday afternoon be deferred, and that Rev. W. E. Denney preach on Saturday at 1: 30 o'clock p. m.

20. Rev. W. F. Barker was appointed to conduct devotional services Saturday morning.

21. On motion adjourned. Song, "Blest be the Tie that Binds." Prayer by Rev. P. H. Haire.

Saturday Morning, August 31, 9 o'clock

22. Devotional service. Reading by Rev. W. F. Barker, Luke 12: 1—10. Prayer by Rev. H. M. Winkler. Song, "The unclouded Day."

23. Minutes of previous day read and adopted.

24. Report on Hospital submitted by Rev. S. C. Blackburn and

read by the Clerk. Discussed by Rev. W. F. Barker, C. C. Parsons, Rev. W. E. Denney, Rev. C. W. Sexton, J. C. Goodman, Rev. S. C. Blackburn and Rev. G. L. Trivette and adopted.

REPORT ON HOSPITALS

Southern Baptists have 23 hospitals which are caring for thousands of sick and suffering every year, and many are taken to these institutions which have no money, and therefore would die, many of them, if they could not have the care and treatment weich they receive there, they go to these hospitals from every walk of life and receive such treatment as restores many of them to health and life again. Surely Baptists have heard the command of the Master when He said: Go teach . . . . and heal them", yet many of our people turn a deaf ear to the call of these needy ones.

Our N. C. hospital located at Winston Salem is one of the finest in the South and no doubt is rendering a wonderful service to the Kingdom of our Lord, in that it is caring for so many sick and suffering ones, and the Master said: "In as much . . . . ye did it unto Me." We therefore ask you to visit our hospital at Winston Salem when you are well and do not wait until you are sick, and in so doing you will find a temple for the sick, unexcelled anywhere.

We recommend therefore:

1st. That we pray unceasingly for those who minister there, and also for the suffering ones in all our land.

2. That we remember on Mothers' Day the hospital in making a contribution for our needy sick that will bespeak our love to Him who proved himself a friend to the sick and suffering.

Submitted. S. C. Blackburn, Com.

Several pastors agreed to take a Mothers' Day offering.

26. Report on Christian Education submitted by G. H. Hatfield. Discussed by G. H. Hatfield, Rev. J. F. Fletcher, Rev. W. A. Hash and J. C. Goodman and adopted.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Christian Education is the developing of the mind spiritually. Its fundamentals are found in the Bible upon which the activities of our people in Kingdom work depend. To strengthen our denomination we recommend:

1. That our churches take a very active part in the training of the young people in the homes, churches and schools.
2. That we more loyally support our denominational schools with our money, influence and prayers.
3. That we all work to gether for a better trained church mem-

bership in all the churches of our state and nation or wherever we attempt Kingdom work. Respectfully submitted,

G. H. Hatfield.

25. Invitation to visiting brethren— Hon. R. L. Doughton and wife seated with the body.

26. Roll-call of churches for pledges for Co-operative Program. These pledges will be found in statistical tables.

27. Moved that all church letters to the association be mailed to A. Dell Goodman, Nettle Knob, N. C., by August 15, 1930 in order that a report on Digest of Church Letters can be prepared before the association convenes in its 1930 session.

28. Rev. C. W. Sexton preached. Text, Rev. 22: 17.

29. Adjournment for lunch. Prayer by Rev. W. A. Hash.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON, AUG. 31, 1929, 1: 30

30. Association called to order by singing "God's Banner Exalted Shall Be."

31. Sermon by Rev. W. E. Denney. Text, Joshua 1: 1,2,3. Theme: "Unpossessed Possessions."

32. Moved that the association consider the question of incorporating the S. S. Convention under the Ashe Association and including its work in the minutes of the association.

33. A motion carried to incorporate the Sunday school convention under the association and include its minutes in the minutes of the association.

The next Sunday school convention to be held with Laurel Knob Time to be announced later.

34. Report on "Old Ministers' Relief submitted and read by I. P. Barker. Discussed by Rev. H. M. Winkler and adopted.

OLD MINISTERS' RELIEF

Some few years ago I believe it was Bro. Walter Phillips said in his report on this subject that "we should talk less and do more."

Judging by the absence of any report or discussion of this report at the last session of this body we decided to talk less. Now then, lets heed the last part of Bro. Phillips' good advice and in the years to come, "Do More" for these old faithful soldiers of the cross. They are almost no more with us. Let's do our best to make the few years they have to live more pleasant for the remaining few. In spirit and in truth, as Bro. Phillips said, Let us Do More.

Respt. sub. I. P. Barker.

35. Report on Temperance submitted and read by Rev. W. E. Denney, discussed by Rev. H. M. Winkler, Rev. W. F. Barker,

Rev. P. H. Haire and G. H. Hatfield and adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

We re-affirm the position our association has consistently held and declared on the question of intoxicating liquors. We have ever believed that the manufacture, sale and use of alcoholic beverages is a menace to life and morals, a curse upon our people, and should be prohibited by law.

After years of agitation and effort the Christian forces of our State achieved the legal prohibition of the liquor traffic in North Carolina, and eventually saw the triumph of that cause in the enactment of the 18th Amendment to the National Constitution. It has been the contention of enemies of prohibition that this law could not be enforced because a majority of the people do not want it. Recent events seem to have answered that claim with overwhelming denial. Political leaders in the presidential campaign of last year insisted that that campaign was a national referendum on on the liquor question. If that be so, then there can be no doubt as to the mind of the majority of America.

The people do want prohibition. It appears then that this law can be enforced. We call upon all officers of government, from township to the Nation's Capital, honestly to force the laws of our land.

We also belive that the law should be enforced with equal justice upon all, and demand of our courts of justice that for the rich and poor alike, for the ignorant and the educated, the humble and the high, justice shall be equal. Submitted,

W. E. Denney.

Report of Finance Committee read and adopted.

REPORT ON FINANCE

We, the Finance Committee, make the following report:

Collected for Minute Fund,	$85 50
Co-operative Program,	5 00
Total,	$90.50

Lester Blevins, A. J. Blevins, F. C. Nye, Com.

37. Report of Committee to nominate Executive Committee read and adopted. Ira T. Johnston, J. C. Greene W. T. Harless, J. F. Dillard and J. C. Goodman were elected to Executive Board.

38. Report of Committee on Place and Preacher read and adopted.

REPORT ON PLACE AND PREACHER

We, your Committee on Place and Preacher, submit the following report:

Place: West Jefferson.

Preacher: Rev. H. L. Coffey; Alternate, Rev. J. O. Spencer.

J. C. Goodman, Chm. of Com.

39. On motion adjourned. Song, "Amazing Grace."

Prayer by Rev. J. O. Spencer.

SATURDAY NIGHT, AUGUST 31, 1929, 8: 00

40. Sermon by Rev. Lester Blevins.

Sunday Morning, Sept. 1, 1929, 9: 30

41. Association called together by song service.

Devotional reading by Rev. E. Blevins, Psalm 39. Prayer by G. H. Hatfield and Rev. L. W. Blevins.

42. Minutes of previous day read and adopted.

43. Report on Digest of Church Letters read by A. Dell Goodman and adopted.

DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS

Members last year,	2981		
Baptisms	112		
Present Membership	2989		
Number of Sunday schools		31	
Total enrolled		2095	
Average Attendance		1068	
B. Y. P. U's	7		
No. Members	136		
W. M. U's	6		
No. Members	50		
Pastors' Salaries			$3,330.88
Total Local Church Expenses			$7,669.20
Gifts to Co-operative Program			546.82
Total Church Gifts to all Causes			$8,595,66
Value of Church Property		$54,000	

Respectfully your committee,

W. H. McMillan, A. D. Goodman, Lester Blevins, I. P. Barker.

44. Moved that all delegates be instructed that unless associational letters are sent in to A. Dell Goodman by August 15, 1930, they will not be included in minutes of next session.

45. Report on Sunday schools submitted by J. C. Denney and J.

C. Jones. Discussed by G. H. Hatfield and W. W. Blackburn and adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

The Sunday school work stands out as one of the most vital agencies in Kingdom extention and development, and should be stressed by every pastor and church leader throughout the State, Nation and the world.

There are thousands of Baptist church members in the South that need to be enlisted in the Sunday schools, and millions that are out of the church that need to be brought into the fold through the Sunday school. This must be done through the Sunday school, if it is ever accomplished.

Teacher Training

Teachers Training is our greatest need and our hardest task. We must realize that when teachers are trained and efficient, our Sunday schools will more nearly approach the goal set for them in the aims and purposes set forth in Sunday school organization and work.

The need for trained Sunday school teachers is just as vital as is the need for trained preachers.

Your committee would set as a goal for Ashe county Baptists: A county-wide or association-wide effort to provide teacher-training for our Sunday school teachers, and the selection of officers and teachers of irreproachable Christian character. What shall we do?

Respectfully sudmitted.

J. C. Denney, J. C. Jones.

46. Report on B. Y. P. U. submitted by D. C. Severt; discussed by E. H. Grayson, Rev. P. H. Haire, D. C. Severt and F. C. Nye and adopted.

REPORT ON B. Y. P. U.

About eight years ago the first Baptist Young Peoples Union was organized in this association at West Jefferson. Since that time progress has been slow but gradual until at present we have six or more splendid Unions.

On July 10 a number of these unions met at West Jefferson and organized an Associational B. Y. P. U. with E. H. Grayson, of West Jefferson, Pres.

Respectfully submitted.

D. C. Severt.

47. Report on W. M. U. submitted by Mrs. J. O. Goodman; discussed by Miss Minnie Haire and adopted.

W. M. U.

Financial report of W. M. U. of Ashe association since last association:

W.M.U. gave to Kingdom work:

Beaver Creek	$27.50	
Big Flats	14.50	
West Jefferson	27.45	
Total,		$69.45.

Ball Mountain society was re-organized in June.

Mrs. J. O Goodman, Pres.

48. A splendid demonstration was put on by the Sunbeams and G. A's of West Jefferson church.

49. Report on Resolutions read and adopted.

RESOLUTIONS

We, your Committee on Resolutions, submit the following:
Be it resolved:

(1) That we in session with Grassy Creek Baptist church extend to the church and entire community our heart felt thanks of appreciation for their generosity, and most excellent hospitality in entertaining the Ashe Association with all of its visitors.

(2) That the Association express its appreciation of the very fine addresses made by Dr. Kesler, Dr. Bradshaw and Bro. Floyd Fletcher, and the great sermons preached by Revs. Trivette, Blackburn, Sexton, Denney and others.

(3) That the Association stand by its organizations in prayer, in sacrificial giving and in service, till the kingdom of the world has become the Kingdom of Christ.

J. O. Goodman, Rev. Floyd Fletcher.

50. On motion adjourned until next annual session.

Prayer by Rev. J. O. Spencer.

51. Sermon by Rev. S. C. Blackburn. Theme: "A Conquoring Christianity." Text, I. Timothy 4: 6, 7 & 8.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Received from Finance Committee:

	Co-operative Program	$ 5.00	
	Minutes and Clerk	85.50	
	Collection for Minutes	10.49	
	Sunday School Convention	3.45	
	Total		$104.44
Paid:	To Walters Durham	$ 5.00	
	Postage and Stationery	10.00	
	Printing Minutes	80.00	
	Total		$95.00
	Balance for Clerk		$ 9.44

Bryan Oliver, Clerk Ashe Baptist Association.

CHURCH DIRECTORIES

Ordained Ministers in the Association

Name and Address	Church of Which a Member	Work
Barker, W. F. Grassy Creek, N.C.	Landmark	Member
Blackburn, S. C. West Jefferson	West Jefferson	Pastor
Blevins J C, Grassy Creek	Pleasant Home	Pastor
Blevins, J J, Grassy Creek	Pleasant Home	Member
Blevins, L W, Grassy Creek	Pleasant Home	Pastor
Blevins, E, Grassy Creek	Landmark	Member
Blackburn, M D, Grassy Creek	Little Helton	Member
Blackburn, W R, Jefferson	Oak Hill	Member
Burkett, R M, Jefferson	Friendship	Pastor
Cambill, J A, Jefferson	Oak Hill	Member
Childers, Joseph, Grassy Creek	New River	Member
Coffey, H L, Warrensville	Warrensville	Pastor
Cockerham, T J, Nathans Creek	Friendship	Pastor
Blackburn, W W, Crumpler	Oak Hill	Member
Denney, W E, Grassy Creek	Landmark	Pastor
Denney, G L, Grassy Creek	Landmark	Member
Dolinger, R L, Sturgills	Little Helton	Member
Eller, E A, Grassy Creek	Pleasant Home	Pastor
Goodman, C F, Todd	Laurel Knob	Member
Gaultney, H H, Grassy Creek	Little Helton	Member
Grubb, T W, Todd	Laurel Knob	Member
Haire, P H, Fleetwood	Big Flatts	Member
Hayes, T M, Nathans Creek	Liberty Hill	Member
Howell, J G, Jefferson	Landmark	Member
Howell, Lee, Tuckerdale	Pleasant Hill	Pastor
Hurley, W L, Crumpler	Landmark	Member
Hodgson, J F, Smethport	Buffalo	Member
Neaves, J M, Crumpler	New River	Member
Powers, Arthur, Lansing	Long Branch	Member
Sexton, J D, Edison	Long Branch	Pastor
Sexton, C W, Lansing	Landmark	Pastor
Spencer, J O, Grassy Creek	Grassy Creek	Pastor
Trivette, Roscoe, Creston	Peak Valley	Pastor
Trivette, J S, Fleetwood	Big Flatts	Pastor
Trivette, G L, Beaver Creek	Bald Mountain	Pastor
Wilcox, Joseph, Summit	Obids	Member
Winkler, H M, Todd	Laurel Knob	Pastor

Licensed Minister:

Barker, Jackson	Oak Hill	

B. Y. P. U. Directors and Addresses

Church	Name	Addess
Ball Mountain	Myrtle Campbell	Beaver Creek, N.C.
Big Flats	Mrs. H. V. Walker	Fleetwood "
Friendship	Avery Mullis	Jefferson "
Mission Home	J. H. Gentry	Fleetwood "
West Jefferson	D. C. Severt	West Jefferson "
Warrensville	Howard Rhodes	Warrensville "

W. M. U. Presidents and Addresses

Church	Name	Address
Ball Mountain	Ethel A. Houck	Beaver Creek
Beaver Creek	Mrs. J. O. Goodman	Beaver Creek
Big Flats	Mrs. F. L. Houck	Fleetwood
West Jefferson	Mrs. C. W. Ray	West Jefferson

NOTE BY THE CLERK

To the Officers in the Churches of the Ashe Association:

I wish to call your attention to the fact that your associational letters must be sent to A. Dell Goodman, Nettle Knob, N. C. by Aug. 15, 1930 or they will not be included in next year's report.

I also earnestly request that more accurate record be kept in the churches. The data from which these minutes are made is taken from the letters which you send to the association. When items are blank we must either leave them blank or guess at them, either of which is unsatisfacory. Many mistakes which are charged to your clerk or printer may be due to incomplete reports.

Please take pains to be accurate next year.

Respectfully yours,

Bryan Oliver,
Clerk Ashe Baptist Association.

TABLE I.--CHURCH MEMBERSHIP ETC. Ashe Baptist Association Aug. 1929.

CHURCHES	In Town, Village or country	When Constituted	PASTORS AND POST OFFICES	Days of Meeting	Membership Reported Last Year	Received by Baptism	By Letter	Statements	Restorations	Lost: Letters	Exclusions	Erasures	Deaths	Total Present Members	Weekly Prayer Meetings	Revival Meetings this Year	Observed the Lord's Supper	Families taking Recorder
Apple Grove	c	1860	H. L. Coffey, Warrensville	....	36	..	..	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	36	no	.....	.....	.....
Baptist Home	c	1896	H. L. Coffey, Warrensville	3d	56					1	1		2	52	no	1	1	
Bald Mountain	c	1910	S.C. Blackburn, W. Jefferson	1-3	126	6	2			6				128	no	1	1	4
Beaver Creek	c	.....	" "	4	45									45	yes			3
Bethel	c	1851	R. M. Burkett, Jefferson	2	128								4	124	no		1	
Big Flatts	c	1905	G. L. Trivette, Beaver Creek	2	85	12	4			1				100	yes	1	2	3
Big Laurel	c	.....	J. R. Trivette, Trade, Tenn.	4	30						2			28	no	1		
Bristol	c	1888	J. C. Blevins, Grassy Creek	1	66		1			1	2			64	no	1	1	
Buffalo	c	1869	G L Trivette, Beaver Creek	1-3	115	12				4	1			122	no	1	1	
Chestnut Hill	c	1928	H L Coffey, Warrensville	2	18		1							19	no	0	1	
Clifton	c	1923	G R Eldreth, Trout	1	27									27	no	1	1	2
Friendship	c	1880	W E Denney, Grassy Creek	3	120		1			1			1	119	no	1	1	
HealingSprings	c	1897	J O Spencer, Grassy Creek	1	155	3				4	4		1	149	no	1	1	
Glendale	c	1914	T J Cockerham, Crumpler	3	58	8				1	1	5	1	58	no	1	1	
Grassy Creek	c	1927	J O Spencer, Grassy Creek	3	41	9	1		4					55	no	1	0	5
Jefferson	T	1888	S A Shoupe, Sparta	4	50					5			1	44	no	1		5
Land Mark	c	1856	J D Sexton, Edison	4	196	5	2		3	2	4		3	197	no	2	1	2
Laurel Knob	c	1912	H M Winkler, Todd	2-4	93	10	5	1					1	108	yes	2	1	
Liberty Grove	c	1915	H M Winkler, Todd	3	92	2	2			3			1	92	no	1	1	
Liberty Hill	c	1907	L W Blevins, Grassy Creek	3	57					1		29		27	no			2

Little Helton	c	1923	E A Eller, Grassy Creek	2	53					1	1		2	49	no	1	1	
Long Branch	c	1886	J D Sexton, Edison	2	69						1	1		67	no	1	1	1
Mission Home	c		G L Trivett, Beaver Creek	4	110	5	6		1	2	1	5	2	106	no	1	2	
Mountain View																			
Meadow View	c	1912	Estell Eller, Grassy Creek	1	12									12	no			
New River	c	1889	J O Spencer, Grassy Creek	4	166	1				4				163	no		1	3
Oak Hill	c	1927	J C Blevins, "	3	37	6		1		2			2	40	yes	3	1	2
Old Fields	c	1803	T M Hayes, Nathans Creek	3	148	3		1		2				150	yes	1	1	
Obids	c	1892	Odell Carlton, Wilbar	4	71					2				69	no	1		
Orion	c	1911	T M Hayes, Nathans Creek	1	63	1	2			2				64	no	1	1	2
Peak Valley	c	1892	J R Trivette, Trade, Tenn.	4	52								1	51	no	1		
Phœnix	T	1908	W E Denney, Grassy Creek	2	102	2				4			1	99	no	1	1	6
Pilot Mountain	c	1915	Not represented.		50									50				
Pleasant Hill	c	1894	Lee Howell, Husk	4	25	1			4	2			1	27	no		1	
Pleasant Home	c	1870	W E Denney, Grassy Creek	4	100	1	1						2	100	no	1	1	
Pleasant Valley	c	1926	M D Blackburn, Grassy Cr'k	3	53	2							2	53	no	2	1	
Smethport	T	1923	H L Coffey, Warrensville	3	68	1	3		1	1				71	no	1	1	
Tuckerdale	v	1915	W E Denney, Grassy Creek	1	78	6			1		1			85	no	1	1	1
Valley Home	c	1916	H M Winkler, Todd	1	82	1	1			4			1	79	yes	1	1	
West Jefferson	T	1916	S C Blackburn, W. Jefferson	1,2,3,4	174	13	14			2			1	198	yes	1	1	
Warrensville	T	1871	H L Coffey, Warrensvill	3	30	4	10							44	no	1	1	
					3123	112	54	3	14	56	19	40	29	3131		7	35	31	41

BRYAN OLIVER Clerk of Ashe Baptist Association, Grassy Creek, N. C.

Our Comrades Who have Answered The Last Roll Call Since 1928.

Bethel:—
Mr. Lafayette Phillips, Mrs. Ida Phillips, Mr. Theadore Baker, Mrs. Ollie Graham.

Friendship:—
Mrs. Ida Church.

Glendale:—
Annie Chloe Miller.

Healing Springs:—
Mr. J. A. Pierce.

Jefferson:—
Mr. J. W. Badger.

Landmark:—
Mr. David Barker, Mrs. Sarah Jane Barker, Mrs. Pearl Blackburn.

Laurel Knob:—
Mr. I. S. Wilcox.

Liberty Grove:—
Mr. Tripp Green.

Little Helton:—
Mr. Charley Porter, Mrs. Polly Ann Walker.

Mission Home:—
Mr. C. M. Payne, Mr. Joe Blackburn.

Oak Hill:—
Mr. G. W. Stewart, Miss Ocie Blevins.

Peak Valley:—
Mrs. K. E. Michael.

Phœnix:—
Mr. Clay Hudler.

Pleasant Home:—
Mrs. Susan Hudler. Mrs. Birdie Blevins.

Pleasant Valley:—
Deacon L. M. Brinegar, Mrs. Rhoda Blevins.

West Jefferson:—
Mr. Hal Dogette.

Report of

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION, 1929.

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THE Sunday School Convention met in its third annual session with Friendship Baptist church June 29, 1929.

After devotional exercises conducted by Rev. J. C. Blevins, the Convention proceeded to election of officers.

1st On motion elected Rev. J. C. Blevins Chairman.

2d Elected W. E. Denney Secretary.

3rd Elected Rev. W. W. Blackburn Field Worker.

4th Elected W. R. Blackburn as Choir Leader.

5th Elected Rev. G. L. Denney Vice President.

6th Appointment of committees. The Chair appointed Revs. W. E. Denney and W. R. Blackburn to ask the Ashe Association to incorporate the Convention in the work of the Association.

7th Adjourned. Prayer by Rev. R. L. Barnes.

SATURDAY NIGHT SESSION

Sermon by Rev. R. L. Barnes. Text, I. Cor. 11 chapt. 22 verse: "Despise ye the church?"

Convention met Sunday morning at 10 a. m.

Devotional service conducted by Rev. J. A. Campbell, reading from Matt. 5 chapter, 1 to 23. Prayer by Rev. T. M. Hayes.

Chairman called for reports, and the following churches responded:

1	Landmark, Delegates,	1
2	Oak Hill	3
3	Liberty Hill	3
4	Orion	1
5	Healing Springs	3
6	Friendship	3
7	Bethel	1
8	Chestnut Hill	1
9	Forest Home	1

Preachers and Superintendents present, 15.

Lectures were made by the following brethren:

1st "Our Children— their Needs, and how the Sunday School can help them." Rev. T. M. Hayes.

2d Sermon by Rev. W. R. Blackburn. Text, Luke 4c 18 verse.

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TABLE II.-- SUNDAY SCHOOLS OF Ashe Baptist Association Aug. 1929.

CHURCHES	Location	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST OFFICES	Officers and Teachers	Beginners 3 to 5 Years	Primaries 6-8 years	Juniors 9-12 Years	Intermediates 13-16 Years	Young People 17-24 Years	Adults 25 Years & up	Cradle Roll	Total Enrollment	Average Attendance	Is School Graded?	Is it Standard A-1?	Normal Diplomas	Baptisms from School	Gifts to Local Church Work	To Missions, Orphanage etc
Apple Grove	c	Ambson Miller, Husk	..	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	..	.....	....•.....	.....•.....
Baptist Home	c	J. A. Brown, Parker	4								60	50						
Bald Mountain	c	W. L. Houck, Beaver Creek	5	10	10	20	18		17		80	46	no	no	0		11.00	
Beaver Creek	c	C F Goodman, Beaver Creek	5								65	50					7.80	
Bethel	c	F H Brown, Oval	5								55	43	no		2		7.80	2.08
Big Flatts	c	H V Walker, Fleetwood	8	8	11	13	20	9	10	6	85	50	yes	no	1	12	16.75	17.69
Big Laurel	c	Mattie Roten, Hemlock	5	10	11	7												
Bristol	c																	
Buffalo	c	B S Harless, Smethport	5	8	4	5	6	3	12	1	44	20				5	11.48	7.91
Chestnut Hill	c	I N Hudler, Crumpler	6	12		7	12		18		49	35					9.98	
Clifton	c																	
Friendship	c	Foster Brown, Jefferson	6								75	35					8.85	
Healing Springs	c	J F Phipps, Jefferson	7	10	8	18	26		32	7	113	71	no	no	no	no		22.45
Glendale	c																	
Grassy Creek	c	G H Hatfield, Grassy Creek	7	15	20	30	40		50		162	70	yes	no	4		27.50	
Jefferson	t																13.00	65.00
Land Mark	c	M F Denney, Grassy Creek	13								290							
Laurel Knob	c	G S Holman, Todd	6		6	10	4	10	12		46	25		no			9.48	3.80
Liberty Grove	c	L N Keller,	7								70						5.19	44.40
Liberty Hill	c	J H Wagoner, Nathans Creek	5								56	41					12.52	

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3d Collection taken for printing of minutes.—$3.45.

Adjourned. Prayer by W. E. Denney.

Sunday Evening Service

Devotional services by Rev. J. T. Cockerham reading Psalm 103 verses 1 to 13. Prayer by Rev. H. L. Coffey.

1st Committee on Place and Speakers for next Convention:

W. E. Denney,
W. R. Blackburn,
J. A. Campbell.

2d Lectures by the following brethren:

"Is it well with the child?"— By Prof. J. O. Goodman.

"Preparation in a physical sense, or a Sabbath School,"
—Prof. R. E. L. Plumer.

"Importance of early training in the Sunday School",
—By Ira T. Johnston.

"Training our children in Spiritual Welfare, and our interest in their success." —By Hon. R. L. Doughton.

Adjourned.

Prayer by W. E. Denney.

TABLE VI.

B. Y. P. U.'s Ashe Baptist Association, 1929.

CHURCHES	Senior Unions	Seniors Enrolled	Total Systematic Givers	Number of Bible Readers
Bald Mountain	1	24	12	18
Big Flatts	1	32	5	17
Friendship	1	26		
Mission Home	1	24	10	10
West Jefferson	1 and 1 Junior.			
Warrensville	1	30		
Totals,	6 1	136	27	45

M-I-N-U-T-E-S

—OF THE—

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

—OF THE—

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

THE "Woman's Missionary Union" of the Ashe Association held its fourth annual meeting with Big Flatts Baptist church, July 5th, 1929.

1. Meeting was called to order by Mrs. J. O. Goodman, Pres.

2. Song by the congregation: "The Kingdom is Coming."

3. Devotional service was conducted by the President, Mrs. J. O. Goodman, reading 93 Psalm, after which prayer was offered by Rev. S. C. Blackburn.

4. Welcome address was given by Miss Minnie Haire.

5. Response by Mrs. Dr. B. E. Reeves.

6. Roll was called of the different societies, and the following Societies were represented by a strong delegation:

Big Flatts,
Beaver Creek,
West Jefferson.

Also a strong representation of messengers were present from Bald Mountain at which church there was no society at the present meeting of the Union.

Reports from all the Societies present were very encouraging.

7. Mrs. F. C. Nye, leader for the "Young People", brought a very interesting report, and at the same time Mrs. Nye brought greetings to the fourth annual meeting of the "Woman's Missionary Society" from the Y. W. A. Organization of West Jefferson.

8. The following committees were appointed:

I. Nominating Committee:
Mrs. B. E. Reeves, Mrs. S. C. Blackburn.

II. Committee on "Resolutions":
Miss Minnie Hare, Mrs. F. C. Nye.

9. At this time an address was given by Mrs. Edna Harriss of Raleigh, which was full of inspiration and helpful suggestions.

10. Song, "Trust and Obey" was sung by the congregation, af-

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TABLE III.-- CHURCH PROPERTY of Ashe Baptist Association Aug. 1929.

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS AND POST OFFICES	Does Church own its house of Worship?	When was it Built?	Material Used	Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	Value of Church House and Grounds	Total Value of Church Property	Indebtedness on all Church Property	Insurance Carried
Apple Grove	H. A. Miller, White Top, Va.	yes	1900	wood	200	1	$600	$600	$50	$
Baptist Home	W. R. Brown, Parker	yes	1896	wood	200	1	300	300		
Bald Mountain	Clark Houck, Beaver Creek, N.C.	yes	1910	wood	400	1	1300	1300		
Beaver Creek	L H Goodman, Beaver Creek	yes	1900	wood	400	1	800	800		
Bethel	T H Brown, Oval	yes	1922	wood	300	1	3000	3000		
Big Flatts	Mrs W F Church, Fleetwood	yes	1908	wood	200	1	1200	1200		
Big Laurel	Mattie Roten, Hemlock	yes	1909	wood	200	1	700	700		
Bristol	Miss Mamie Wallce, Jefferson	yes	1928	wood	250	1	800	800		
Buffalo	B S Harless, Smethport	yes		wood	250	1	700	700		
Chestnut Hill	W H McMillan, Crumpler	no								
Clifton	W T Miller, Clifton	yes	1903	wood	250	1	1000	1000		
Friendship	Foster Brown, Jefferson	yes	1909	wood	400	1	1600	1600		
Healing Springs	G R Hamm, Crumpler	yes	1897	wood	400	1	3000	3000		
Glendale	Gordon Severt, Wagoner	yes		wood	200	1	1500	1500		
Grassy Creek	M W Blevins, Grassy Creek	yes	1929	wood	300		3000	3000		
Jefferson	Ira T Johnston, Jefferson	yes	1885	wood	250	1	1000	1000		
Land Mark	T A Jones Grassy Creek	yes	1909	wood	300	1	3000	3000		
Laurel Knob	G S Holman, Todd	yes	1910	wood	200	1	600	600		
Liberty Grove										
Liberty Hill	J H Wagoner, Nathans Creek	yes	1910	wood	300	1	400	400		

Little Helton	Chas Hearly, Grassy Creek	yes	1923	wood	300	1	1000	1000		
Long Branch	J W Brown, Edison	yes	1920	wood	300	1	1500	1500		
Mission Home	J F Blackburn, Fleetwood	yes	1900	wood	300	1	1600	1600		
Mountain View										
Meadow View	Flora Jane Wadell, Grassy Creek	yes	1912	wood			.....	.....		
New River	W D Brown, Weaversford	yes	.....	wood	400	1	1500	1500		
Oak Hill	W R Blackburn, Jefferson	yes	1927	wood			2500	2500		
Old Fields	E F Phillips, Idlewild	yes	1926	wood	400	1	4000	4000		
Obids	H M Brown, Obids	yes	1892	wood	400	1	2000	2000		
Orion	J F Dillard, Orion	yes	1911	wood	300	1	2000	2000		
Peak Valley	Mollie Tyree, Creston	yes	1904	wood	200	1	400	400		
Phœnix	Mrs F L Waddell, Bina	yes	1913	wood	300	2	2500	2500		1500
Pilot Mountain										
Pleasant Hill	T R Miller, White Top, Va.	yes	.....	wood	300	1	700	1300		
Pleasant Home	L P Phipps, Grassy Creek	yes	1898	wood	250	1	2000	2000		
Pleasant Valley	E W Phipps, Grassy Creek	yes	.....	wood	300	1	100	100		
Smethport	Earnest Bumgarner, Smethport	yes	1920	wood	250	1	800	800	50	
Tuckerdale	Miss Rosetta Powers, Tuckerdale	yes	1917	wood	300	1	1500	1500		
Valley Home	D R Jones, Toliver	yes	1917	wood	300	1	1000	1000		
West Jefferson	H R Vanoy, West Jefferson	yes	1916	wood	400	1	3000	3000		
Warrensville	J H Ashley, Warrensville	yes	1919	wood	250	1	1000	1000		
							53,600	54,200	50	1,500

Pleasant Hill—Mission Chapel $600 appears in its total above.

West Jefferson has 8 separate Class Rooms, and Phoenix 4.

ter which prayer was offered by G. L. Trivett, and the meeting was adjourned for lunch.

AFTERNOON

11. The afternoon session was called at 2: 30 by singing "Jesus calls Us." Prayer by P. H. Haire.

12. Mrs. B. E. Reeves delivered a very timely address on "Mission Study."

13. Mrs. F. C. Nye brought a very inspiring address on "Winning North Carolina to Christ through our young people."

14. At this time Miss Minnie Haire brought a report on W. M. U. Special Margaret Fund, and "House Beautiful", which was full of interest and enjoyed by all.

Mr. J. C. Gambill gave an inspiring report on the Co-operative Program.

15. An address by Mrs. Edna R. Harris on "Personal Service."

16. The reports of the "Nominating" and "Resolutions" Committees were adopted.

17. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Mrs. J. O. Goodman, President.
Miss Minnie Haire, Vice President.
Mrs. G. N. Oliver, Sec. & Treas.
Mrs. B. E. Reeves, Mission Study Leader.
Mrs. F. C. Nye, Young People's Leader.

18. Minutes of the session were read and approved.

19. Song, "Make Me a Channel of Blessing" was sung by the audience.

20. The meeting closed to meet with West Jefferson church next year. Prayer by S. C. Blackburn.

Mrs. G. N. Oliver, Sec.

TABLE VII.- W. M. U. Ashe Association.

CHURCHES	Number W. M. U. Societies	No. G. A.'s	No. R. A.'s	Total W.M.U Organizations	Gifts to Local Church Work	Gifts to Missions etc.	Total Gifts
Bald Mountain.	1	.....	.....	.....	.....•.....	.....•.....	.....•.....
Beaver Creek	1			7	27.05		27.05
Big Flatts	1			13	80.00	60.00	140.00
West Jefferson	1	1	1	30			
Totals,	4	1	1	50	107.05	60.00	167.05

HISTORICAL TABLE ASHE ASSOCIATION, 1922-1929 INCLUSIVE.

Date of each Annual Meeting	Place of each AnnualMeting	Moderator of each Annual Meeting	Clerk of each Annual Meeting	Introductory Sermon By Whom Preached
Aug. 31, Sept. 1, 1922	Bethel	Prof. J. C. Goodman	J. W. Duncan	Rev. S. C. Blackburn
Augupt 30-31, 1923	Healing Springs	Prof. J. C. Goodman	W. C. Johnston	Rev. H. T. Penry
August 29-30, 1924	Tuckerdale	Prof. J. C. Goodman	W. C. Johnston	Rev. T. M. Hayes
August 28-29, 1925	West Jefferson	Prof. J. C. Goodman	J. G. Welch	Rev. J. A. Brendle
August 27-58, 1926	Orion	Prof. J. C. Goodman	J. G. Welch	Dr. Chas. E. Maddry
August 26,27,28, 1927	Buffalo	Prof. J. C. Goodman	Bryan Oliver	Rev. J. O. Spencer
Aug. 34, Sept. 1, 1928	Landmark	Prof. J. C. Goodman	Bryan Oliver	Rev C. W. Sexton
Aug. 30-31,Sept 1,1929	Grassy Creek	Rev. S. C. Blackburn	Bryan Oliver	Rev. G. L. Trivette

TABLE IV.-- LOCAL CHURCH WORK, Ashe Baptist Association Aug. 1929.

CHURCHES	CHURCH TREAS. AND POST OFFICES	Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help	Building & Repairs	Incidentals	Literature for S.S., B.Y.P.U. and W.M.S.	Local Poor	Printing Minutes and Clerk	Other Objects	Total for Support Local Church Work
Apple Grove	H. A. Miller, White Top, Va.	32.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.00	.....	33.00
Baptist Home	W. R. Brown, Parker, N.C.	56.60			10.00		7.80		1.25		75.65
Bald Mountain	W L Houck, Beaver Creek "	160 00		12.00		6.00		50.00	2.50		248.60
Beaver Creek	L H Goodman, Beaver Creek	75.00					27.05		3.00		105.05
Bethel	T H Brown, Oval	54 30	4.00				4.72		2.00	5.00	70.02
Big Flatts	Mrs W F Church, Fleetwood	71.46		31.85		19.20	16.75	50.00	1.65		190.91
Big Laurel	Miss Mattie Roten, Hemlock	25.00						2.00	1 00		27.00
Bristol	Miss Mamie Wallace, Jefferson	18.00	4.00		100.00				2.00		124.00
Buffalo	B S Harless, Smethport	131.75		18.00	75.00		11.48		3.00	35.00	274.23
Chestnut Hill	W H McMillan, Crumpler	52 75		6.00			9.98		2.00	38.17	108.80
Clifton	W F Miller, Clifton	47.73							1.50		48.23
Friendship	T K Luther, Jefferson	86.60			98.25		21.58		5.00		211.43
HealingSprings	G R Hamm, Crumpler	75.00		10.00			9.37		4.00		98.37
Glendale	Gordon Severt, Wagoner	9.25		12.00	147.00				1 00		179.95
Grassy Creek	Mrs Sallie Senter, Mouth of Wilson	71 40	31.00		250.00	15.00	20.00		3 00		390 40
Jefferson	Mrs F W Testerman, Jefferson	63 50				25 05			2 50	10.00	101 05
Land Mark	I A Jones, Grassy Creek	50.00		16.00		20.00	8.00	22.00	5.00		121.00
Laurel Knob	Lawson Edwards, Todd	122.00	7.17			3 25	9.48		2 00		143 90
Liberty Grove	Chas E Howell, Todd	121 95					5 79				127 74
Liberty Hill	J H Wagoner, Nathans Creek								2.35		2.35

Little Helton	Charles Hurley, Grassy Creek	9.10		6.50	35.00		5.87		3.00		59.47
Long Branch	J W Brown, Edison	75 00							2.50		77.50
Mission Home	J F Blackburn, Fleetwood	45.77		47.50		3.54	13.58	4.65	1.60	3.65	120.29
Mountain View											
Meadow View	Mrs Flora Jane Waddell, Graay Ck								1.00		1.00
New River	W D Brown, Weaversford	70.00						10.00	3 51		83.51
Oak Hill	W R Blackburn, Jefferson	42.00	2.95				9.95		3 00		57.90
Old Fields	Mrs Cora Cheek, Hopkins	114.00		35.00		1.00	5.58		3 00		128 58
Obids	H M Brown, Obids	33 80				1 00	1 50		1 00	20.00	57.30
Orion	W J Bare, Jefferson	63 5o	25.00				6 00		2 00		98 12
Peak Valley	Mollie Tyree, Creston	38.00			86.35				1 10		115 45
Phœnix	Mrs F. L Waddell, Bina	100 00		25.00		5.00	8.00		5.50		143 50
Pilot Mountain											
Pleasant Hill	T R Miller, White Top, Va.	19.75						30.00	1.50		51.25
Pleasant Home	L P Phipps, Grassy Creek	52.74		14.57			3.83		4 45		75.39
Pleasant Valley	E W Phipps, Grassy Creek	65.00					5 00		3 00		73.00
Smethport	Richard Bumgardner, Smethport				12.00		6.00		1.50		19.50
Tuckerdale	Wade H Darnell, Tuckerdale	82.00		43.65		6.25	12.00	9.00	4.00		156.90
Valley Home	D R Jones, Toliver	79.30		15.00		15.00	6.20	12.00	1.85		128.30
West Jefferson	I R Campbell, West Jefferson	1137.15		75.00	2000.00	80.oo	26.oo		5.oo	6.17	3329.32
Warrensville	J H Ashley, Warrensville	11o.2o		9.oo	272.oo	17.5o	2.5o		1.5o		412.7o
	Totals	3452.83	74.12	376.97	3086.10	217.79	264.01	189.65	93.76	117.99	7873.22

BRYAN OLIVER Clerk of Ashe Baptist Association, Grassy Creek, N. C.

TABLE IV. Continued. Gifts to Missions Etc.

CHURCHES	Gifts to Co-operative Program	Home and Foreign Missions etc.	S.S. Gifts to Home & Foreign Missions	W.M.U. Gifts to Co-operative Program	W.M.U. Gifts to Home & foreign Missions	Total all Missions Educatio & Benevolence	GRAND TOTAL	Pledged to Co-operative Program
Apple Grove	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	33.00	5.00
Baptist Home							75.65	
Bald Mountain		12.56		18.10		30.66	279.26	50.00
Beaver Creek	27.50			27.05		54.55	159.60	
Bethel			2.08			9.88	79.90	
Big Flatts	20.00	30.00	17.69	23.50	36.50	126.69	317.60	45.00
Big Laurel							27.00	
Bristol							124.00	
Buffalo	51.10		4.33			55.43	329.66	
Chestnut Hill	20.00	38.17				58.17	166.97	20.00
Clifton							48.23	
Friendship		8.85				8.85	220.28	20.00
HealingSprings	50.00					50.00	148.37	50.00
Glendale							179.95	
Grassy Creek	56.69	29.85				76.54	466.94	60.00
Jefferson	25.71	87.50	10.00			123.21	224 26	
Land Mark		21.45				21.45	142.45	
Laurel Knob	12.75	18.00				30.75	174.65	
Liberty Grove			44.40			44.40	177.33	
Liberty Hill							2.35	
Little Helton							59.47	
Long Branch							77.50	
Mission Home	16.50					16.50	136.79	25 00
Mountain View								
Meadow View								
New River	77.80	31.53	10.18			119.51	203.02	75.00
Oak Hill			8.00			8.00	65.90	
Old Fields	5.00	43.00				48.00	176.58	
Obids							57.30	
Orion		25.00				25.00	123.12	25.00
Peak Valley							115.45	
Phœnix	77.79	105.00	7.53			190.32	333.82	60.00
Pilot Mountain								
Pleasant Hill							51.25	
Pleasant Home	7.30	20.00				27.30	102.67	
Pleasant Valley							73.00	
Smethport							19.50	
Tuckerdale	20.00	10.60				30.60	187.50	20.00
Valley Home			5.00			5.00	133.30	
West Jefferson	78.68	73.70				222.53	3553.85	
Warrensville							412.70	
Totals,	536.82	534.21	127.21	70.65	36.50	1383.34	9256.56	455.00

Bethel S.S. gave 7.80 and West Jefferson S.S. gave 70.15 to Co-op. Program.

PROGRAM ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

TO BE HELD WITH

West Jefferson Baptist Church

West Jefferson, North Carolina,

FRIDAY, SATURDAY AND SUNDAY

August 29, 30 and 31, 1930.

S. C. Blackburn, Moderator, West Jefferson, N. C.

Bryan Oliver, Clerk, Grassy Creek, N. C.

FRIDAY MORNING, AUGUST 29.

10:00 Introductory Sermon-- Rev. H. L. Coffey.
10:30 Election of Officers.
10:45 Reception of Churches and Visitors.
11:00 Appointment of Committees.
11:15 Report on Biblical Recorder.
11:30 Co-operative Program:
- (a) Report on State Missions.
- (b) Report on Home Missions.
- (c) Report on Foreign Missions.
- (d) Roll Call of Churches on Pledges.

12:30 Adjournment for lunch—Everybody bring baskets.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, AUGUST 29.

1:30 Report on Christian Education.
2:00 Sermon— Rev. G. L. Trivette.
2:15 Miscellaneous.
2:30 Announcement of Homes for Messengers and Visitors.

FRIDAY NIGHT, AUGUST 29.

7:30 Pastors' Conference on Evangelism.
Led by Rev. S. C. Blackburn.

SATURDAY MORNING, AUGUST 30.

9:00 Devotional, Rev. P. H. Haire.
9:30 Report on Baptist Hospital.
10:00 Report on Orphanage.

10:30 Roll Call of Churches for Pledges to Orphanage.
11:00 Report on Pastors' Salaries.
11:30 Sermon— Rev. J. O. Spencer.
12:15 Adjournment for lunch. Everybody bring baskets.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON, AUGUST 30.

1:30 Report on Old Ministers, Relief.
2:00 Report on Temperance.
2:30 Report of Finance Committee.
2:45 Report of Committee on Digest of Church Letters.
3:00 Sermon— Rev. Lester Blevins.

SATURDAY NIGHT, AUGUST 30.

7:30 Pastors' Conference on Enlistment.
Led by Rev. S. C. Blackburn.
8:00 Sermon— Rev. W. E. Denney.

SUNDAY MORNING, AUGUST 31.

9:30 Devotional, Rev. W. E. Denney.
10:00 Report on Sunday Schools.
10:45 Report on Place for Next Meeting.
10:50 Report of Committee on Resolutions.
11:00 Report on B. Y. P. U.
11:15 Report on W. M. U.
11:30 Sermon— Dr. W. A. Ayers.
12:30 Adjournment.

Ira T. Johnston, Chairman,
J. C. Greene,
J. C. Goodman,
W. T. Harless,
J. F. Dillard,
Executive Committee.

OBITUARIES

STURGILL

L. J. Sturgill was born March 1, 1850 and died Jan. 11, 1929, being 78 years, 10 months and 10 days old.

He was married to Naoma Miller July 8, 1875, and to this union twelve children were born, five having preceeded him to the grave, seven yet living.

Was a son of William and Sarah Sturgill. He professed faith in Christ when he was a young man and joined the North Fork Baptist church and was baptized by Rev. Andy Powers, later moving his membership to Baptist Home church, being one of the charter members, and serving as clerk of the church until his death.

He was a friend of God and his cause and devoted to his church.

He was a devoted husband, a loving father and a man who will be missed by the people at large, and a place is left vacant in the church that will be sadly felt, but we feel that our loss is his eternal gain and we humbly submit to His will to be done.

A beloved form from us is gone,
A voice we loved is stilled,
A place is vacant in our home
Which never can be filled.

Written by his Pastor.

BROWN

John Brown was born February 3, 1872, became a member of Baptist Home church in July, 1890.

He was joined in matrimony to Margaret Greer April 1893. To this union were born four children, one girl, three boys, Cora, William, Elzie and Quincy.

Bro. John Brown has for all these years been devoted to his church. He has served as a deacon for many years.

The last words Bro. Brown said to his pastor while leaving the church was, "I would sacrifice anything for my church and community. Nothing on earth I love more than my church."

Bro. Brown was not only devoted to his church, but he was one of the best men in sickness or distress that could be found. He went for miles around to wait on sick people. The doctors both of N. C. and Tenn. would call him to assist them in serious sickness. The nights never got too dark and stormy for him to go to the aid of one

in distress.

Bro. Brown was superintendent of the Sunday school and never missed a Sunday unless something serious happened, to be there on time.

He was taken sick on Tuesday evening and died Saturday night, being sick only four days,

He bore his sickness with patience. When he was first taken sick he told his friends if he could not get well he was ready to answer the call.

He leaves a wife, three sons, one daughter and a host of friends to mourn their loss, but our loss on earth is his eternal gain in heaven.

The funeral was conducted by Rev. Mr. Arnold and Rev. H. L. Coffey, his pastor.

Ashe Missionary Baptist

ASSOCIATION

North Carolina

1886 - - - 1930

Forty-fourth Annual Session

HELD WITH

West Jefferson Baptist Church

WEST JEFFERSON, N C

August 29, 30, and 31, 1930

REV. S. C. BLACKBURN, MODERATOR
BRYAN OLIVER, CLERK & TREAS.

NEXT MEETING:

The next session will be held with Liberty Grove Baptist Church, Riverside, N. C.,
Three days' session, August 28, 29 and 30, 1931.
Introductory sermon to be delivered by Rev. J. O. Spencer,
Alternate, Rev. W. E. Denney.

Will H. McGuire's Print, Brookside, N. C.

Directory of Association

Officers:

Rev. S. C. Blackburn Moderator, ... West Jefferson, N. C.
H. A. Eller Vice President, ... Bina, N. C.
Bryan Oliver Clerk & Treasurer, ... Grassy Creek, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND BOARD OF MISSIONS

Ira T. Johnston, Chairman, ... Jefferson, N. C.
J. H. Wagner, ... Nathans Creek, N. C.
J. C. Goodman, ... Beaver Creek, N. C.
W. T. Harless, ... Beaver Creek, N. C.
J. W. Gambill, ... West Jefferson, N. C.

MEMBER STATE MISSION BOARD:

Ira T. Johnston, ... Jefferson, N. C.

Standing Committees, to report 1931 :

State Missions: Rev. G. L. Trivett, Beaver Creek, N. C.
Home Missions: Rev. J. O. Spencer, Grassy Creek, N. C.
Foreign Missions: B. H. Duncan, Sutherlands, "
Sunday Schools: Rev. W. E. Denney, Grassy Creek, "
Biblical Recorder: J. O. Goodman, Beaver Creek "
Hospitals: Rev. H. M. Winkler, Todd, "
Orphanage: J. O. Weaver, West Jefferson, "
Christian Education: J. C. Goodman, Beaver Creek, "
Pastoral Support: Ira T. Johnston, Jefferson, "
Temperance: David Harless, ...
Old Ministers' Relief: E. C. Eller, Bina, N. C.
Obituaries: J. W. Duncan, Beaver Creek, "
B. Y. P. U.: W. G. Myers, West Jefferson, "
W. M. U.: Minnie Haire, Fleetwood, "
Digest of Church Letters: A. Dell Goodman, Nettle Knob, "

List of Messengers in the 1930 Session

Apple Grove— H. A. Miller, Rettie Nance.
Baptist Home— Q. A. Brown, E. J. Brown.
Bald Mountain— W H Duncan, C W Campbell.
Beaver Creek— J C Goodman, W F Goodman.
Bethel— T H Brown, R G Phillips, Roy Phillips.
Big Flats— R C Parsons, H V Walker.
Big Laurel— Mrs Mattie Rupard.
Bristol— W A Johnson.
Buffalo— W A Campbell, T H Ray, B S Harless.
Chestnut Hill— W H McMillan, J C Brown, W C Ward.

Clifton—Nathan Richardson, K L Eller, W T Miller.
Friendship—T K Luther, G C Burkette, Bertie Dickson.
Glendale—Gord Miller.
Healing Springs—G R Ham, James Hudler, Frank McMillan.
Grassy Creek—H P Haynes, W A Blackburn, Cleave Peak.
Jefferson—Ira T Johnston, Mrs R F Blevins.
Landmark—T A Heath, J C Denney, J E Johnson.
Laurel Knob—Lawson Edwards, Lula Edwards.
Liberty Grove—C E Howell, Tatum Brown, J P Howell.
Liberty Hill—H L Goodman, T E Dixon, J H Wagoner.
Little Helton—Cleave Waddell, G W Porter, Charles Hurley.
Long Branch—Z R Barr, John Welch, Carl Sexton.
Mission Home—J H Gentry, Sarah Greene, J F Blackburn.
Mountain View—George Coldiron.
Meadow View—By letter.
New River—J C Walker, C G Phipps.
Oak Hill—L N Barker, G W Blevins, Jackson Barker.
Old Fields—E F Phillips, R E Phillips, J E Cheek.
Obids—D H Burgess, C L Mash, Vira Mash, Nettie McNeal.
Orion—W M Dillard, W H Miller, E D Coldiron, W J Bare.
Peak Valley—By letter.
Phœnix—E C Eller, J Q Childers, Ramond Barr.
Pilot Mountain—C Tucker, Myrlie Watson, E Miller.
Pleasant Hill—S N Howell, Author Hart, T R Miller.
Pleasant Home—C N Deboard, C F Spencer, Grant Eller.
Pleasant Valley—E W Phipps, Leslie Jones.
Smethport—Ernest Bumgarner.
Tuckerdale—W R Anderson, J A Darnell.
Valley Home—L M Roark, D R Jones.
West Jefferson—W G Myers, H R Vannoy, J W Gambill.
Warrensville—J H Ashley, Arthur Childers.
Zion Hill—Horton Sheets.

CONSTITUTION

Article 1. This body shall be called the Ashe Association.

Objects

Article 2. The object of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the gospel in our bounds, and in all the world, and in this work the Association will co-operate with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

Membership

Article 3. The members of this body shall be all the ordained

ministers of the churches of this Association, and three delegates from each church, who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment and giving statistics of the membership and work of the church.

Organization

Article 4. At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer in such a way as the Association may direct. The last two offices may be held by the same brother.

Duties of Officers

Article 5. The Moderator shall preside at all meetings, preserve order, appoint committees, and perform such duties as are required of presiding officers.

Article 6 The Clerk shall keep a correct record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing and distribution to the churches, the proceedings of the body.

Article 7. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent to the Association, to pay them out as the Association may direct, and make a report at each annual session.

Time and Place

Article 8. The Association shall hold an annual meeting at such time and place as may be agreed upon.

Appointments

Article 9. At each annual meeting there shall be appointed an executive committee of five brethren who shall look after the destitution in the bounds of this Association, and co-operate with the State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention, making to the next session a report of the work done and all the general State Mission work.

Article 10. The Association shall convene annually on the last Friday in August. At each annual session there shall be appointed committees to make reports to the ensuing session, on the following subjects, to-wit: State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Pastoral Support, Ministerial Education, Baptist Orphanage, Biblical Recarder, Temperance, Digest of Church Letters, Finance, Place and Preacher for next Association, and Baptist Hospital.

Order of Religious Exercises

Article 11. Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

Article 12. In addition to the introductory sermon, the committee on religious exercises shall arrange at least one other sermon each day the Association is in session and all business shall be suspended while the sermon is being delivered; but no sermon shall be sched-

uled while the Association is engaged in a business session.

Prerogatives

Article 13. The Association will not retain in permanent fellowship any church that retains in its fellowship any member who is disorderly in doctrine or practice, or who makes, sells, or in any way deals in ardent spirits as a beverage

Constitution—How Amended

Article 14. This Constitution may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual session.

Abstract of Principles

1st We believe in only one true and living God, and that there are three persons in the God-head, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, and that these three are one.

2nd We believe that the Bible, the New and Old Testaments, is Word of God and the only rule of faith and practice.

3d We believe in the impotency of man and the sovreignty of God.

4th We believe that salvation is by Grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5th We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ to be practiced only by believers in their spiritual order.

6th We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator, and that those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and doctrine, should take the Lord's Supper.

7th We believe in the final perseverance of the saints in grace to glory.

8th We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgement.

9th We believe that the existence of the righteous and the wicked will both be of eternal duration, and that the happiness of the righteous and punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

RULES OF ORDER

1st Every session shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2d When the Moderator calls the house to order, every member shall at once take his seat.

3d When a member wishes to speak he shall rise and address the Moderator, and not proceed till he is recognized.

4th No member shall speak more than twice on any subject except by permission of the body.

5th No member shall leave the body during the session without permission of the Moderator.

6th It shall be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold private conversation while any person is speaking.

RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS

—OF THE—

Forty-fourth Annual Session

—OF THE—

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

HELD WITH

West Jefferson Baptist Church

AUGUST 29, 30, & 31, 1930.

WEST JEFFERSON, N C

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1. THE Ashe Missionary Baptist Association met in its 44th annual session, with West Jefferson Baptist church, Friday, August 29, 1930 at 10 A. M.

Introductory sermon by Rev H. L. Coffey. Text: "What is that thou hast in thine hand?" Theme: "Serving God with what we have"

2. Election of officers—Rev. S. C. Blackburn elected Moderator and Bryan Oliver elected Clerk and Treasurer.

3. Reception of visiting brethren--

Dr. Charles E. Maddry, Secretary General Board.

Rev. P. A. Hicks, Three Forks association.

Prof. J. N. Carr, French Broad association, Prof. in Mars Hill college.

Rev. John McCrady, Stone Mountain association.

G. W. McCready, Brushy Mountain association.

Rev. J. A. McMillan, Liberty asso , representing Mills Home.

G. G. Page, Kings Mtn. asso., representing Biblical Recorder.

W. M. Eller, Brushy Mountain association.

Rev. J. L. Underwood, Alleghany association.

Rev. T. J. Day, Rock Castle association, W. Va,

U. Y. Foster, Brushy Mtn. association.

Will H. McGuire, Three Forks association.

Harrison Shoemaker, Brushy Mountain association.

Mrs. W. M. Eller, Brushy Mountain association.

Rev. Marshal Mott, Pilot Mountain association.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanly Armstrong from Tenn.

Prof. S. A. Trentham, French Broad, Mars Hill college.

H. C. Hopkins, Watauga association, Tenn.

Rev. J. E. Hayes, Stone Mountain association.

Hon. R. L. Doughton, Alleghany association.

Rev. J. S. Hopkins, Piedmont association, were seated with the body.

4. Appointment of committees: —

Finance committee: W. H. McMillan, E. C. Eller, G. R. Ham.

Digest Church Letters: A. Dell Goodman, Chm., L. W. Blevins, W. A. Campbell.

Religious Exercises: Delegates of West Jefferson church, J. C. Jones, C. W. Campbell.

To nominate Executive Committee: E. C. Eller, W. H. McMillan, W. A. Blackburn.

Resolutions: G. G. Page, Revs. J. O. Spencer, W. E. Denney.

Place and Preacher: Delegates from Liberty Grove, Old Fields, New River, Chestnut Hill, Healing Springs, along with W. E. Denney, J. O. Spencer and Ira T. Johnston.

5. Roll call of standing committees—

Ira T. Johnston appointed to prepare a report on Pastoral Support.

Mrs. J. O. Goodman to prepare a report on W. M. U.

6. Report on Biblical Recorder not in, but represented in a brief address by G. G. Page.

7. Report on State Missions submitted and read by W. E. Denney.

Report on Home Missions submitted by B. H. Duncan.

Report on Foreign Missions submitted and read by G. L. Trivett.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

When we think of "State Missions" we think of our Christian Schools, our Hospital, Orphanage, Old Ministers' Relief, and the "Gospel" preached throughout the State.

In 100 years of organized work in North Carolina, there has been great progress made. According to the reports sent up to the 1929 associational meetings, which began the middle of July and continued till the middle of November, there were 2,307 white Baptist churches in the state, with a membership of 397,026, which is an increase of 26 churches and 10,621 members over 1928.

During last year there were baptized into the fellowship of 1,621 churches, 2,307 members.

And yet, with the progress that has been made, there remains a

tremendous task yet to be done.

There are nearly one and one-half million people in the state who are not affiliated with any church organization For the most part, these are our own native people. What a great evangelistic opportunity this opens for the Baptists of the state.

Now the question is: What part are the Ashe county Baptists going to have in the salvation of this great number of unsaved?

Last year we gave to State Missions through the co-operative program $536.82, and yet considering the tremendous need, we urge that the churches of our association give more to state missions the coming year than ever before.

"Fellowship week" in our association will offer us an opportunity to pay our centennial pledges, which goes to the support of our schools. We urge that every one who pledged pay, and those who did not, that they also make a contribution to this worthy cause.

Respt. submitted,

W. E. Denny.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

Home Missions is that group of missionary and evangelistic tasks which either because of their nature or their size and difficulty, can best be done by a Southwide agency.

The Home Mission Board is the Southwide agency through which Southern Baptists are doing their Home Mission work. The field of operation for this Board is the territory of the Southern Baptist convention, the four western provinces of Cuba and the canal zone.

The work for the ensuing year was laid out as instructed by the Convention on the basis of the cash receipts for the previous year. These receipts were $407,357.58 on the Co-operative Program and $32,397.18 supplemental receipts, making a total of $439,743.76.

The Board sets aside $250,000 to be paid on interest and principal of the debt. Shis necessitated some reduction in mission work, but by combining forces and consolidating mission stations, the Board is able to hold all of its debts intact, though with reduced personnel.

The Board has set itself definitely to the task of paying its debts, with the determination that when once out of debt, it will absolutely stay out of debt. Since September 1928, it has paid interest and principal on its indebtedness $713,987.57. The reduction of the debt, however, is being made with the least possible inroads upon the mission work. The minimum amount that can be paid on interest and principal of the debt has been set aside as a fixed item in the budget of appropriations. Therefore any increase in contributions

will mean an increase in mission work.

Last year we had 168 workers and they baptized 2,219 people. This was 13 baptisms per worker. When we remember a great deal of this work is with very difficult groups like Foreigners here in our midst, in Cuba and Panama, who have a background of Catholic teaching, this compares favorably with any mission work that our Baptist people are doing.

Our people need to recognize the tremendous importance just now of our Home Mission work. The new day of industrialization is giving us a new set of Mission Problems. Cities are growing very rapidly. Industrial communities are springing up almost over night. The tide of immigration is turning toward the South. All these things create a real need for Home Missions. Our task is to mobilize our home forces for world-conquest for Christ and our Home Mission work has a big place in this mobilization process.

Respectfully submitted,

B. H. Duncan, Com.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

With joy we report another year of progress in our work, spreading the gospel around the world. There have been converted and baptized more than thirteen thousand, or one thousand more than any previous year in the history of our mission work.

Also, we have reduced the debt on the Board again, $187,423.56. This shows that God is in the work and wonderfully blessing it.

Our greatest need today is not opportunity to go forward, we've more of that than we can occupy. But we need more missionary-minded churches, who will give to the cause of missions. To have them we must have preachers who will preach missions. Preachers let's shift the responsibility and we will see the work go forward.

Resp. submitted,

G. L. Trivett, Com.

Dr. Charles E. Maddry addressed the association in behalf of the Co-operative Program.

9. Adjournment for lunch.

Friday Afternoon Aug. 29, 1930 1:30

10 Association called to order by song service led by S. C. Blackburn. Prayer by Rev. H. M. Winkler.

11 Report on Christian Education submitted and read by Ira T. Johnston and discussed by Ira T. Johnston and Prof. J. N. Carr of Mars Hill college and adopted by the body.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The problem of Christian Education is one of the most pressing problems facing the Baptists of North Carolina. Since we accept the New Testament as the rule of our faith and the guide to our conduct, we must believe that the command to teach is as specific and as vital as the command to preach. Unless we have leaders who have been taught and trained, we know that our denomination cannot continue to grow and to accomplish that noble purpose to which it is and ought to be consecrated and devoted. And we cannot and ought not to expect others to train our leaders for us.

There are certain facts which cannot be disputed and which we must face:

1. Our Baptist schools are rapidly being out-classed in equipment and support.

2. Our convention is carrying a heavy debt which is drawing interest and which was largely incurred in the rebuilding of Meredith College.

3. On account of the economic depression and other reasons, The Centennial Campaign has fallen far short of expectations.

4. Decreasing contributions to the Co-operative Program mean less money for Christian Education.

Our duty in certain respects seems clear:

(1) The Baptist State Convention must continue to support and maintain Wake Forest and Meredith

(2) The debt on the Convention must be paid.

(3) Careful consideration must be given to the question of how many other schools the Convention can continue to support and maintain; which, if any, should be discontinued, and which, if any, should be left to be cared for by the Alumni, friends, and particular sections.

(4) The best plan to meet the financial needs involved must be marked out.

In the meantime, your committee recommends:

(1) Increased contributions to and loyal support of the Co-operative Program so long as it is the chosen plan of the denomination.

(2) Payment of pledges to the Centennial Campaign by all who are able, and pledges and their payment by all others who are so blessed that they can help in this time of testing.

(3) Prayerful aid on the part of our people for those who are trying to solve the problems which face us.

(4) Loyalty in word and in deed on the part of Baptists toward

Baptist Schools

(5) Active interest of both preachers and lay members in all the training activities of the Church.

Ira T. Johnston, Committee.

Moved that report on Orphanage be read and discussed at this time. Report was submitted and read by Rev. H. L. Coffey. After an address by Rev. J. A. McMillan, the report is adopted.

ORPHANAGE

Of all the subjects of earth that appeal to human sympathy and Christian love, none come so near being universal perhaps, as that of an orphan child. To be fatherless and motherless in childhood means that a living soul must depend upon the love, help and sympathy of others. The Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville is an organization of the Baptist people of North Carolina for the purpose of mobilizing and making effective the force of our denomination to the end that orphan children throughout the state shall be properly cared for under Christian influence. Baptist people were the leaders in North Carolina in the establishment of a home for orphan children. We are now about $40,000 in debt. We recommend the once a-month offering in the Sunday schools and the Thanksgiving offering to meet the call. We believe that man owes no higher duty to God and to society than the duty of service to childhood without father or mother. Number of children cared for last year 685.

Respectfully submitted,

H. L. Coffey, Com.

Pledges for Orphanage called for. Most of the pastors and delegates in the association pledged to help put on regular Sunday school offerings in their churches. Big Flatts, Jefferson, Baptist Home, Big Laurel, Pleasant Valley, Landmark, Phoenix, and Oak Hill churches agreed to send produce and vegetables to the Orphanage.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanly Armstrong sang for the association.

Rev. Marshall Mott delivered a sermonette to the association on the text: "For to me to live is Christ."

Moved that the matter between Little Helton and Laurel Knob churches be taken up at this time.

Moved that the Moderator appoint a committee to meet with the delegates of these churches and try to settle this matter and report to the association during the current session. Committee appointed: G. R. Ham, Walter Campbell, J. W. Gambill, J. C. Goodman, and Walter Phipps.

Assignment of homes for messengers.

On motion adjourned. Prayer by Rev. W. E. Denney.

PASTORS' CONFERENCE

Friday Night, 7: 30

Scripture lesson read by Rev. Ed Hayes reading from John 1.

Prayer led by Rev. W. F. Barker.

Rev. S C. Blackburn spoke on "The People Called Baptists."

Rev. W. E. Denny led a discussion on plans for Fellowship Week.

A committee was appointed, consisting of

Rev. W. E. Denny, Rev. G. L Trivett, Rev. Geter Blevins, to work out a program.

Pastors' Conference agreed to meet quarterly, on Monday after the first Sunday.

Conference adjourned to meet with Friendship Baptist church, Monday, Dec. 8th.

Saturday Morning Session, August 30, 9: 30.

Devotional exercises conducted by Rev E. Blevins. Scripture lesson Psalms 40 Prayer by Rev. E. Blevins and Rev. Ed Hayes.

Minutes of previous day read and adopted.

Moved that report on Hospital be deferred until later in the day, and report on Pastoral Support be read and discussed at this time.

Report on Pastoral Support submitted and read by Ira T. Johnston, discussed by Ira T. Johnston, E. C. Eller, W. H. McMillan, Rev. W. F. Barker and adopted.

REPORT ON PASTORAL SUPPORT

Above all men, the public expects a preacher to pay his debts. How can he pay them unless we pay him? There is the butcher, baker and candlestick maker for him to pay and all the other expenses that go along with living and preaching the gospel. If our pastors do their best work for our churches, they have little or no time to devote to any other remunerative work. What are we as Baptists going to do about it?

The statistics show that Ashe County Baptists pay their pastors about an average of $1.00 each per year. Of course, some pay a great deal more and many do not pay one penny. But if that is all that Ashe County Baptists are willing to put into preaching the gospel in our midst, we cannot expect our denomination to go forward very far and we cannot expect these faithful and earnest pastors to adequately meet the tremendous responsibilities of an active and progressive age.

Practically every church in Ashe County by making the every

member canvass and by presenting the facts can double next year what it paid its pastor this year. Perhaps all of them ought to double last year's salary and many should go beyond that. A few must lead. Will our laymen who attend this association lead in this? If we will pay our pastors, they will have their worried minds and over-worked bodies and their burdened hearts released to devote to the promotion of our denominational causes and to the building up of the Kingdom of our Lord and His Christ and next year's reports will make us proud and angels glad.

Ira T. Johnston,
Committee.

Report on Hospital submitted and read by Rev. W. F. Barker, discussed by Rev. S. C. Blackburn, Rev. W. F. Barker, Rev. H. H. Gaultney, Ira T. Johnston, and adopted.

BAPTIST HOSPITAL

The Baptist Hospital at Winston-Salem is one of the greatest institutions of the Baptists of North Carolina. It is a place for the sick and the suffering; for all classes, rich and poor, and it has taken care of a large number of charity patients. We trust that the Baptists of the Ashe association and the state at large will not get the idea that the Baptist Hospital is absolutely a charitable institution and can live and do the work it is doing without the co-operation and help of our Baptist people. Respectfully submitted,

Rev. W. F. Barker.

Sermon by Rev. J. O. Spencer. Text, Acts 2:42. Theme: "What Makes a Good Church."

Adjournment for lunch.

Saturday Afternoon Session, Aug. 30, 1930, 1:30.

Association opened by song service. Prayer by Rev. W. E. Denny.

Report on Old Ministers' Relief submitted by J. C. Goodman, discussed by Rev. G. L. Trivett and Rev. W. E. Denney and adopted.

OLD MINISTERS' RELIEF

The Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention is the only agency that administers aid for the support of our aged ministers.

During the last conventional year this Board aided 663 aged ministers, 525 ministers' widows and 150 dependent children in the entire South.

During this same year, this Board aided 68 aged ministers and 67 ministers' widows, all in North Carolina.

This aid is not charity, but a long-standing obligation to these aged veterans of the cross for services rendered by them to the South and the world.

All in all, they have preached 2500 years and baptized 50,000 professed believers. During all these years, these aged ministers have answered God's call for service regardless of salary or sacrifice.

The average monthly alotment to men is $10.14. The average monthly alotment to women is $9.69.

These amounts are small indeed, but are greatly appreciated by these beneficiaries.

We should not neglect this feature of our work.

Your Com.,

J. C. Goodman.

Report on Temperance submitted and read by Rev. H. M. Winkler, discussed by Rev. H. M. Winkler, Rev. T. M. Hayes, Rev. G. L. Trivett, David Harless, and Rev. P. H. Haire and adopted.

TEMPERANCE

We reaffirm the position our association has held and declared on the question of liquors. We believe the manufacture and the sale of alcoholic beverages is one of the greatest curses of our country and if our people would help enforce the law that it be almost elimnated. We therefore appeal to our people to stand by the 18th amendment and help make it a great success, and we also appeal to the churches of the Ashe Association to be loyal to article 13 of the constitution of our associaiion. Respectfully submitted,

H. M. Winkler.

Report of Finance Committee submitted and adopted by the body.

FINANCE REPORT

Received for Printing Minutes	$85.10
Co-operative Program	25.00
Total, - -	$110.10

W. H. McMillan Chm., E. C. Eller, G. R. Ham, Com.

Collection taken for minute funds. Amount, $8 50.

Report on Digest of Church Letters read and adopted.

DIGEST CHURCH LETTERS

Members last year	3236
Baptisms	144
Present membership	3245
Number of Sunday schools	32
Total enrollment	2266
Average attendance	1342

B. Y. P. U's	4
Number of members	226
W. M. U's	4
Number of members	54
Pastors' salaries	$3,244.13
Total local expenses	6,337.87
Gifts to Co-operative Program	403.73
Total church gifts to all causes	870 00
Value of church property	$65,000 00

Respectfully submitted,

A. Dell Goodman, Com.

Report of committee to nominate Executive Committee read and adopted. Executive Committee elected: Ira T. Johnston Chmn., J. H. Wagoner, J. C. Goodman, W. T. Harless and J. W. Gambill.

Report on Biblical Recorder submitted by J. O. Goodman and adopted.

BIBLICAL RECORDER

At the Baptist State Convention of 1833, a monthly paper called the Interpreter was adopted as the organ of the convention. It soon became a weekly paper and the name was changed to Biblical Recorder. So it will soon be 100 years old. It has stood the test of almost one century and that fact alone should commend it to us It contains much information on all the phases of our denominational work. This information is indispensible to our success as a denomination. The stockholders are publishing the Recorder below cost. This should inspire all churches and pastors to aid in increasing its circulation.

Respectfully submitted,

J. O. Goodman.

Sermon by Rev. Lester Blevins. Text, "Study to show thyself approved of God." Theme: "Christian Education."

Report of committee on Place and Preacher read and adopted.

REPORT ON PLACE AND PREACHER

Place: Liberty Grove.

Preacher: Rev. J. O. Spencer; alternate: Rev. W. E. Denney.

C. E. Howell, J L. Hudler,

I. N. Hudler, E. F. Phillips.

Report of committee to settle trouble between Laurel Knob and Little Helton churches read and tabled by the body until the next annual session.

Adjourned until Sunday morning.

SATURDAY NIGHT, AUG. 30, 1930, 8:00 P. M.

Sermon by Rev. G. L. Trivett

Text: "Every man stood in his place.

Sunday Morning, August 31, 1930, 9:30

Devotional services conducted by Rev. W. E. Denney. Prayer by Rev. R. M. Burkett and Bryan Oliver.

Minutes of previous day read and adopted.

Report of committee on Sunday schools submitted by David Harless, discussed by Ira T. Johnston and Rev. H. M. Winkler and adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

The Sunday school is an organization that proves the activities of the church. It is one of the most vital agencies of the church which furnish spiritual, mental and social growth for each member.

It develops an insight into the light and understanding of the teaching of God's Word

It is critical to know that less than one-third of the Baptists in Ashe county attend Sunday school. This shows how inactive the churches are. It is no wonder that our Baptists are slow to understand the mission that Jesus taught in his Word, for those who do not attend Sunday school hardly ever read the Bible.

If you should visit the public school on Friday and the church on Sunday you would find less than one-third the number of children in Sunday school that you found in the public school.

This should forcibly remind us of the words of our Master who said: "Suffer little children to come unto me and forbid them not, for such is the Kingdom of heaven."

If we, as citizens, desire to keep the youth and young men out of the jails, reform schools and penitentiaries, let us get up as early on Sunday morning as we do on Monday morning and take our children to Sunday school where they can be given that spiritual training and development that our Master intended for them to have.

If that were done all over the United States there would be no need of searching the mountains for stills and bootleggers, for the coming generation would have higher ideals and greater appreciation of the good and noble things than to stoop to such low conduct, for more than 90% of all the criminal are those who never attend Sunday school.

We earnestly urge that all the pastors do everything in their power to get every member of the church to attend Sunday school every Sunday and bring the children with them.— David Harless.

Moved that the moderator appoint a committee to put on a program of teacher training for the Sunday schools of the Ashe Association. Committee appointed: David Harless, Ira T. Johnston, J. C. Goodman, Rev. W. E. Denney, Rev. H. M. Winkler, Rev. L. W. Blevins and Rev. G. L. Trivett.

Moved that the Sunday School Conventian be placed under the direction of the Executive Committee of the Ashe Association, and that a program for the next annual session of the convention be made out by the Executive Committee.

Report on B. Y. P. U. submitted and discussed by D. C. Severt and adopted.

REPORT ON B. Y. P. U.

The Associational B. Y. P. U. held its second annual session with the Warrensville Baptist church on Saturday June 29, 1930, and elected the following officers for this year's work:

1. President: D. C. Severt, West Jefferson.
2. V. President: W. H. Duncan, Beaver Creek.
3. District Leaders:
    1. Mrs Susan Eller, Phoenix.
    2. Rev. Lester Blevins, Grassy Creek.
    3. Walter Houck, Beaver Creek.
    4. Rev. Grover Trivett, Beaver Creek.
4. Sec-Treasurer: Clark Houck, Beaver Creek.
5. Choirister: W. G. Myers, West Jefferson.
6. Pianist: Ella Sue Vannoy.
7. Jun-Int. Leader: Miss Minnie Haire, Fleetwood.
8. The Third Session to be held with Bald Mountain Bap. church.

The Presidents of B.Y.P.U. are:	No. Members
Bald Mountain, Mr. Walter Houck, Beaver Creek.	25
Bethel, Miss Foy Goodman, Nettle Knob.	
Big Flats, Mrs. Verna Walker, Fleetwood.	43
Healing Springs, Miss Hester Ham, Healing Springs.	35
Mission Home, Mr. Herman Gentry, Fleetwood.	24
New River, Mr. Blaine Blackburn, Grassy Creek.	59
Warrensville, Mr. Howard Rhodes, Warrensville.	
West Jefferson, Sr., Mr. W. G. Myers, West Jefferson.	23
" " Jr., Mr. Sam Campbell, " "	17
Total Members,	226

Respectfully submitted,

D. C. Severt.

W. M. U. REPORT

Financial and membership report of the W. M U. of the Ashe Association for the associational year.

	Finance		Members
Beaver Creek	$27.25		5
Bald Mountain	$ 9.70		14
Big Flats	$28 60		9
West Jefferson	$33.70		40
Total Finances,	$99 25	Total Members,	68

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. J. O. Goodman, Pres.

Report of Committee on Resolutions read and adopted.

RESOLUTIONS

Your committee or resolutions respectfully submit the following:

Be it resolved:

(1) That we extend to the West Jefferson Baptist Church, town and community, and all who assisted in the wonderful entertainment during this session, our heart-felt thanks and appreciation. Never has hospitality been more generous and abundant. May our Lord repay you !

(2) That the body extend its appreciation to those whose addresses and sermons during this session have made it one of the most interesting meetings this Association has ever had.

(3) That we as Baptists go forth this year to translate into action the many fine thoughts presented, and in prayer and in principle, stand by the causes in which we believe and support them in our gifts and in our lives.

(4) That we commend to the careful thought and the prayerful consideration of the Baptists of this association a plan to select a central and regular meeting place for the annual sessions. We feel that much can be said on either side of this matter, but if our people will think along this line, we believe the majority will adopt the plan that will mean most to our progress and the ongoing of the Kingdom of our Christ in Ashe County.

W. E. Denney }
G. L. Trivett, } Com.

Sermon by Rev. H. M. Winkler. Text: "Lord, what wilt thou have me do?"

Adjourned until our next annual session.

Prayer by Rev. S. C. Blackburn.

NOTE!

ALL Church Letters must again be sent to Committee on Digest of Church Letters by August 15, 1931.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Received from Finance Committee:—			
	Co-operative Program,	$ 25.00	
	Minutes and Clerk,	85.10	
	Collection for Minutes,	8.50	
	Total,		$118.60
Paid:	Walters Durham,	$ 25.00	
	Printing Minutes and Express,	80.00	
	Postage and Stationery,	10.00	
	Total,		$115.00
	Leaving for Clerk,		$ 3.60

Respectfully submitted,

Bryan Oliver, Clerk & Treasurer
for Ashe Association.

REPORT ON W. M. U.

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Ashe Association, met in it's fifth annual session, with West Jefferson Baptist Church, June the 24th, 1930.

1 The meeting was called together by the Pres., Mrs. J. O. Goodman.

2 Song, "The Kingdom is Coming", was sung by congregation.

3 "Welcome address" by Mrs. Dr. B. E. Reeves.

4 Response by Miss Minnie Haire.

5 Report from Mission Study Leader, and her recommendations to the Union, Mrs. B. E. Reeves.

6 Treasurer's Report, Mrs. G. N. Oliver.

7 Rollcall of societies, those answering were, Beaver Creek, Big Flatts, West Jefferson.

8 Appointment of committees.

9 Adjournment for lunch. Prayer by S. C. Blackburn.

AFTERNOON SESSION

1 The afternoon session was called to order by the President.

2 Prayer by S. C. Blackburn.

3 At this time Mrs. Harris of Raleigh, gave an inspiring address,

"The joy of lifting the Lord."

4 Report of the Y. W. A., Miss Lena Gambill.

5 Report of the Junior G. A., Mrs. Nella Dixon.

6 Report of Intermediate G. A., Miss Zola Blevins

7 Report of Sunbeams, Mrs. Frank Goodman.

8 At this time an interesting address was given by Mrs. Dr. J. C. Gambill, "How to be a good W.M.U. Member."

9 "Three in One" talk was given by Mrs. Harris on Margaret Fund, Training School, where Our Dollar Goes and our Centennial.

10 Reports of Committees.

11 Election of officers for the coming year:

Miss Minnie Haire President.
Mrs. J. O. Goodman Vice-President.
Mrs. G. N. Oliver Secretary and Treasurer.
Mrs. Reeves Mission Study Leader.
Mrs. Hal Doggett Young People's Leader.

12 Report of committee on Time and Place for our next meeting.

13 Place of the meeting for next year, Beaver Creek; time to be determined later.

14 Report of committee on Resolutions.

RESOLUTIONS

Having met in the fifth annual session of the Ashe W.M.U., and feeling that the day was well spent, Therefore be it Resolved:

1 That we express in this way, our deep appreciation for the gracious hospitality extended by the West Jefferson Church, and the cordial welcome given to all.

2 That the thanks of the body be extended to Mr. Stephens, and to each one who contributed in any way to the program of the day.

3 That in partaking of the bountiful lunch, we testify to its quality, and commend those who provided it for their well planned and nourishing meal, and duly express our thanks.

Committee: Mrs. Edna R. Harris, Mrs. Gwin Hamby,
Mrs. J. C. Gambill, Mrs. Q. R Campbell.

MINUTE OF THE ASHE B.Y.P.U. CONVENTION,
SATURDAY, JUNE 28, 1930.

The Ashe B.Y.P.U. Convention met in its second annual session, with the Warrensville Baptist Church, Saturday, June 28, 1930.

1 Song, "Take the Name of Jesus With You."

2 Song, "The Kingdom is Coming."

3 Devotional by Rev. G. L. Trivett.

4 Prayer by Rev. H. L. Coffey.

5 Appointment of Committees:

Committee on time and place for our next meeting:

Mr. E. J. Sexton, Mr. W. H. Duncan, Howard Rhodes.

Committee on resolutions:

Charlie Phipps, Mrs. W. H. Duncan, Miss Gay Ashley.

Committee for nomination of new officers:

Rev. G. L. Trivett, Rev. H. L. Coffey, Weldon Myers.

6 Song, "We'll Work Till Jesus Com s."

7 Address by Mr. James A. Ivey.

8 Dismission by Mr. James A. Ivey.

AFTERNOON

1 Song, "Loyalty to Christ."

2 Devotional by Rev. Schofield.

3 The roll of churches was called and representatives were present from the following churches:

Phœnix, Bald Mountain, Warrensville, Friendship, New River, West Jefferson, Little Helton.

4 Report of officers:

Walter Houck—Report of work in south section.

Clark Houck — Report of work in county.

5 Reports of committees:

Report of committee on time and place for next meeting:

The next B. Y. P. U. Convention will be held at Bald Moutain Baptist Church, the first Saturday in June, 1931.

Report is adopted.

Report of the committee on resolutions:

We, the committee on resolutions, recommend the following:

First, Resolved that we thank the church and community of Warrensville for their gracious hospitality.

Second, Resolved, that we thank the ladies for the bountiful spread at noon.

Third, Resolved that we thank the officers of the convention for arranging the program; and that we extend our thanks to each person who took part in the program.

Gay Ashley, Chas. G. Phipps, Mrs. W. H. Duncan.

6 Election of officers:

President— Mr. D. C. Severt.

Vice President— Mr. W. H. Duncan.

Sec.-Sreas.— Clark Houck.

Group Leaders:

Group 1. Mrs. Susan Eller.
Group 2. Mr. Lester Blevins.
Group 3. Mr. Walter L. Houck.
Group 4. Rev. G. L. Trivett.
Choirister, Weldon Myers.
Pianist, Miss Ella Sue Vannoy.
Junior-Intermediate Leader, Miss Minnie Haire.

8 Remarks from new president by Mr. D. C. Severt.

9 "The Value of a Good Study Course" by Weldon Myers.

10 "The Habit of Reading God's Word Daily" by Eula Pearl Stanley.

11 New goals for the year:
Six new unions,
Four A—1 unions,
Two General organizations,
One A—1 General organization,
200 B.Y.P.U. Study Course Awards,
50 TITHERS,
25 B.Y.P.U. Magazines.

12 Song: "More About Jesus."

13 Address, "Junior and Intermediate B. Y. P. U. Work", by Mrs. James A. Ivey.

14 Song, "God Be With You Till We Meet Again."

15 Motion to adjourn.

16 Dismission by Mr. James A. Ivey.

MR. D. C. SEVERT, Pres.
CLARK HOUCK, Sec.

TABLE I.--CHURCH MEMBERSHIP ETC., Ashe Baptist Association Aug. 1930.

CHURCHES	In Town, Village or country	When Constituted	PASTORS AND POST OFFICES	Days of Meeting	Members reported last year	Received: By Baptism	By Letter	Statements	Restorations	Lost: Letters	Exclusions	Erasures	Deaths	Total Membership	Weekly Prayer Meetings	Revivals during the year	Observed the Lord's Supper	Families taking Recorder
Apple Grove	c	1880	J. C. Blevins, Crumpler, N.C	2	36	2	..	..	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	40	no	.....	.....	.....
Baptist Home	c	1890	W. W. Blackburn, "	3	56									56	no			
Bald Mountain	c	1910	S. C. Blackburn, W. Jefferson	1-3	144	5					3	28	1	117	no	1		1
Beaver Creek	c		" " "	4	45	1							1	45	no			2
Bethel	c	1851	R. M. Burkett, Jefferson, NC	2	128	7	3	2		2			3	135	yes	1	1	
Big Flats	c	1905	G. L. Trivett, Beaver Creek	2	100		2			2				100	yes	1	2	3
Big Laurel	c	1909	W. W. Blackburn, Crumpler	1	30	11	2							43	no	1	1	
Bristol	c	1888	J. C. Blevins, Grassy Creek	1	64									64	yes	1		
Buffalo	c	1869	R. M. Burkett, Jefferson	3	122	3				3				122	no	1	1	
Chestnut Hill	c	1928	T J Cockerham, Crumpler	2	19	6	5							30	no	1		2
Clifton	c	1923	J T Anderson, Alvarado, Va	2	28	2		1						31	no	1	1	
Friendship	c	1880	W E Denny, Grassy Creek	3	119	3	1		1	3	1			106	yes	2	2	
HealingSprings	c	1883	J O Spencer, Grassy Creek	1	149	4	2				1			154	no	2		
Glendale	c	1914	J M Watson, Boone	3	58	3	1			1			1	60	no	1	1	
Grassy Creek	c	1927	J O Spencer, Grassy Creek	3	52	16	7	2		3			1	73	no	2	1	
Jefferson	T	1888	J L Underwood, Sparta	1	50					1				49	no			1
Land Mark	c	1856	W E Denny, Grassy Creek	4	197				1		1		4	193	no	1	1	
Laurel Knob	c	1912	H M Winkler, Todd	2-4	93	4				2			1	108	no	1	1	
Liberty Grove	c	1913	H M Winkler, Todd	3	92	2	1							95	no		1	
Liberty Hill	c	1907	R M Burkett, Jefferson	3	27	8				1			1	33	no	1	1	1

Little Helton	c	1923	M D Blackburn, Grassy Creek	2	53	6	1	1		2				57	no	1	1	
Long Branch	c	1889	W R Blackburn, Jefferson	2	69		1	3			1	34	1	37	no	1	1	
Mission Home	c		J L Trivett, W Jefferson	1	106					3			1	102	no			
Mtn. View	c	1887	R L Dolinger, Sturgills	3	34	8								42	no	1		
Meadow View	c	1915	Arthur Powers, Lansing	1	12									12	no			
New River	c	1889	J L Trivett, W Jefferson	4	166	5				7			1	163	no	1	1	3
Oak Hill	c	1928	J C Blevins, Grassy Creek	4	37	1					2		1	35	yes	2	1	
Old Fields	c	1803	T M Hayes, Nathans Creek	4	150	2	1				2		2	149	no	1	2	
Obids	c	1892	R M Burkett, Jefferson	4	71					2				68	no	1	1	
Orion	c	1911	T M Hayes, Nathans Creek	1	63	3	1							67	no	2	1	
Peak Valley	c	1904	Paul Ham, Mtn. City, Tenn	4	52					6				48	no		2	
Phœnix	c	1908	W E Denny, Grassy Creek	2	99	5				4	1			98	no	1	1	6
Pilot Mountain	c	1917	L A Wilson, Boone	3	55		1			1			1	53	no			
Pleasant Hill	c	1894	A F Miller, Whitetop, Va.	4	32	8	1	4	1				1	45	no	1	1	
Pleasant Home	c	1870	J O Spencer, Grassy Creek	4	100	5	2			3	1		1	102	yes	1	1	
Pleasant Valley	c	1926	M D Blackburn, Grassy Cr'k	3	53	6								59	no	1	1	
Smethport	c	1923	H L Coffey, Troutdale, Va	4	71									71	no			
Tuckerdale	v	1915	W E Denny, Grassy Creek	1	85					2	2			81	no	1	1	
Valley Home	c	1916		1	79	3	1			5	1			77	yes	1	2	
West Jefferson	T	1916	S C Blackburn, W Jefferson	all	198	5	14			8	1	24	1	183	yes			12
Warrensville	v	1871	H L Coffey, Troutdale, Va	3	42									42	no	1	1	
			Totals,		3236	144	51	13	5	61	17	86	23	3245		34	34	31

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Church Treasurers and Post Offices

Apple Grove—H. A. Miller, White Top, Va.
Baptist Home—W. C. Brown, Parker, N.C.
Bald Mountain—Walter L. Houck, W. Jefferson
Beaver Creek—L H Goodman, "
Bethel—T H Brown, Oval N C
Big Flats—P H Haire, Fleetwood
Big Laurel—Earl M Roten, Hemlock
Bristol—Mamie Wallace, Jefferson
Buffalo—Lillie Campbell, W. Jefferson
Chestnut Hill—W H McMillan, Crumpler
Clifton—W T Miller, Clifton N C
Friendship—T K Luther, Jefferson
HealingSprings—G R Ham, Crumpler
Glendale—Gordon Severt, Wagoner
Grassy Creek—Sallie Senter, Mouth of Wilson
Jefferson—Mrs R F Blevins, Jefferson
Land Mark—T A Jones, Grassy Creek
Laurel Knob—Lawson Edwards, Todd
Liberty Grove—C E Howell, Todd
Liberty Hill—J H Wagoner, Nathans Creek
Little Helton—Lee Waddell, Grassy Creek, NC
Long Branch—Ray Welch, Lansing
Mission Home—J H Gentry, Fleetwood
Mtn. View—John Coldiron, Eldreth, NC
Meadow View—Flora Waddell, Grassy Creek
New River—W D Brown, Weavers Ford
Oak Hill—W R Blackburn, Jefferson
Old Fields—Mrs Cora Cheek, Hopkins, NC
Obids—H M Brown, Obids
Orion—W J Bare, Jefferson
Peak Valley—R D Michael, Creston
Phœnix—Mrs F L Waddell, Bina
Pilot Mountain—C Tucker, Brownwood
Pleasant Hill—F R Miller, Whitetop, Va.
Pleasant Home—J T Sturgill, Grassy Creek NC
Pleasant Valley—E W Phipps, Grassy Creek
Smethport—Ernest Bumgarner, Smethport
Tuckerdale—W H Darnell, Tuckerdale
Valley Home—D R Jones, Toliver
West Jefferson—Quince Campbell, W Jefferson
Warrensville—J H Ashley, Warrensville
Zion Hill—

There was not space in the Finance Tables to include these names and addresses.

Ordained Ministers in the Association

Name and address	Church of which a Member	Work
Barker, W. F., Grassy Creek,	Landmark	Member
Blackburn, S. C., W. Jefferson	West Jefferson,	Pastor
Blevins, J. C., Grassy Creek	Pleasant Home	Pastor
" J. I. "	"	Member
" L. W. "	"	"
" E. "	Landmark	"
Blackburn, M D, Grassy Creek	Little Helton	Pastor
" W R, Jefferson	Oak Hill	Pastor
Burkett, R M, Jefferson	Friendship	Pastor
Campbell, J A, Jefferson	Oak Hill	Member
Childers, Joseph, Grassy Creek	New River	Member
Cockerham, T J, Nathans Creek	Friendship	Pastor
Denny, W E, Grassy Creek	Landmark	Pastor
" G L, "	"	Member
Dolinger, R L, Sturgills	Little Helton	Member
Eller, E A, Grassy Creek	Pleasant Home	Pastor
Goodman, C F, Todd	Laurel Knob	Member
Gaultney, H H, Grassy Creek	Little Helton	Member
Grubb, T W, Todd	Laurel Knob	Member
Haire, P H, Fleetwood	Big Flatts	Member
Hayes, T M, Nathans Creek	Liberty Hill	Member
Howell, J G, Jefferson	Landmark	Member
Howell, Lee, Husk	Pleasant Hill	Pastor
Hurley, W L, Crumpler	Landmark	Choir Leader
Neaves, J M, Crumpler	New River	Member
Powers, Herbert, Lansing	Long Branch	Member
Powers, Arthur, Lansing	Long Branch	Pastor
Sexton, J D, Edison	Long Branch	Pastor
" C W, "	Landmark	"
Spencer, J O, Grassy Creek	Grassy Creek	"
Stanley, Frank, Hemlock	Baptist Home	Member
Trivett, J S, Fleetwood	Big Flatts	Pastor
Trivett, G L, Beaver Creek	Bald Mountain	Pastor
Wilcox, Joseph, Summit	Obids	Member
Winkler, H M, Todd	Laurel Knob	Pastor

TABLE II.--SUNDAY SCHOOLS of Ashe Baptist Association Aug. 1930.

CHURCHES	In Town, Village or country	SUPERINTENDENTS & POST OFFICES	Officers and Teachers	Beginners 3-5 Years	Primaries 6-8 Years	Juniors 9-12 Years	Intermediates 13-16 Years	Young People 17-24 Years	Adults 25 Years Up	Cradle Roll	Total Enrollment	Average Attendance	Is School Graded?	Is it Standard A-1?	Normal Diplomas	Baptisms from School	Have you a Mission S. S.?
Apple Grove	c	Lloyd Stamper, Husk	5	24	20	18	25	22	13	30	157	50	.....	.....	..	.....	.....
Baptist Home	c	W. J. Jones, Creston	3	6		10	8	9	20	2	48	40					
Bald Mountain	c	Walter L. Houck, W.Jefferson	5		12	12	15		12		56	40	no	no	0	0	no
Beaver Creek	c	C F Goodman, W Jefferson	5	20	18				17		60	30	no	no	0	0	no
Bethel	c	T H Brown, Oval	12	20	15	18	20	30	27		142	78			2		
Big Flats	c	J L Bumgarner, Fleetwood	7	5	9	13	15		13		62	40	yes	no	1	12	no
Big Laurel	c	Mrs Mattie Rupard, Hemlock	5	8	8	10	8		6	2	47	32	yes	yes	5	4	no
Bristol	c																
Buffalo	c	Ballard Harless, W Jefferson	5	4	3	3	5	4	12	2	38	15					
Chestnut Hill	c	J C Brown, Crumpler	6	22		8	15		30		82	42	no	no	0	0	no
Clifton	c																
Friendship	c	David Burkett, Jefferson	6	16	12	12	10		20		75	35					
Healing Springs	c	J T Fipps, Jefferson	8	7	6		15	25	25		86	65	no	no	0	0	no
Glendale	c	J E Whitley, Glendale	4		23	17			35		79	49					
Grassy Creek	c	S P Hale, Grassy Creek	8	10		6	12	12	20		68	60				14	
Jefferson	T																
Land Mark	c	J E Johnson, Grassy Creek	7	15		20	15		18		75	50	no	no	0	0	no
Laurel Knob	c	G S Holman, Todd	6		8	10	10		12		55	24	no	no	0	0	no
Liberty Grove	c	C E Howell, Todd	6	10	12	11	17	17	29		102	63	no	no	0	0	no
Liberty Hill	c	J H Wagoner, Nathans Creek	6		15		15		10		46	32	no	no	0	0	no

No Daily Vacation Bible Schools reported.

Little Helton	c																
Long Branch	c	Paul Sexton, Edison	5	4	12	20	10	15	19	85	40	no	no	0	0	no
Mission Home	c	J C Greene, Fleetwood	6	18		18	9	6	16	72	40	no	no	0	0	no
Mtn. View	c																
Meadow View	c																
New River	c	M D Brown, Weavers Ford	6	16	15	10	10	10	27	93	45	no					
Oak Hill	c	L N Barker, Jefferson	4	15	10	10	12	7		58	40	no	no	0	0	no
Old Fields	c	E F Phillips, Idlewild	5		15		15		12	42	21	no	no	0	0	no
Obids	c	D A Burgess, Obids	4	10	10		11		11	55	30	no	no	0	0	no
Orion	c	Jesse Bare, Jefferson	6	3	4	4	8	6	6	37	25				3	
Peak Valley	c	D C Michael, Creston	5	15	15		12		25	72	50					
Phœnix	c	F L Waddell, Bina	7	5	11	5	8	14	15	65	35	no	no	0	0	no
Pilot Mountain	c	R L Grogan, Brookside	5	6	10	12	9	10	12	64	25	no				
Pleasant Hill	c																
Pleasant Home	c	C F Spencer, Grassy Creek	8	4		12	16	7	12	59	38	no	no	0	1	no
Pleasant Valley	c	Blaine Fipps, Grassy Creek	6	6	4	3	10		18	47	35	no	no	0	0	no
Smethport	c																
Tuckerdale	v	W H Darnell, Tuckerdale	6	10	8	10	16		10	60	38	no	no	0	0	no
Valley Home	c	L M Roark, Toliver	7	15	6	10	10		15	63	50				2	
West Jefferson	T	J C Goodman, Beaver Creek	10	17		21	8	29	31	116	85	no			5	
Warrensville	v																
			189	305	271	291	361	213	536	36	2202	1317			8	41	

Our Comrades Who Have Answered The Last Roll Call Since 1929

Bald Mountain:—
Mrs. Elizabeth Duncan.

Beaver Creek:—
Deacon J. L. Goodman.

Bethel:—
Mrs. Ellen Phillips, Mrs. Lafayette Phillips, Mrs. Pritchard Baker.

Glendale:—
Mr. Harrison Bowlin.

Grassy Caeek:—
Mr. Marion Davis.

Landmark:—
Mrs. Maryan Hurley, Mr. Ambrose Blackburn, Mr. J. R. Blackburn, Mr. Marshall Pennington.

Laurel Knob:—
Mr. B. T. Greer.

Liberty Hill:—
Mrs. Emaline Blevins.

Long Branch:—
Mr. David Rose.

Mission Home:—
Deacon Jonathan Pope.

New River:—
Mr. Walter Phipps.

Oak Hill:—
Mr. J. C. Kilby.

Old Fields:—
Deacon J. F. Blackburn, Mr. T. P. Fletcher.

Obids:—
Mr. James C. Parsons.

Phoenix:—
Mrs. Elizabeth Childers.

Pleasant Hill:—
Mrs. Miley Shepherd.

Pleasant Home:—
E. J. Phipps.

PROCEEDINGS
of
SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

Saturday, June 28, 1930, the Sunday School Convention convened with Laurel Knob Baptist church at 1: 30 P. M.

Devotional services were opened by singing and Scripture lesson read by Rev. Geter Blevins. Prayer by Rev. R. M Burkett.

1st A motion was made to elect the officers by acclamation.

2. On motion elected Rev. W. R. Blackburn Chairman.

3. On motion elected J. G. Welch Secretary pro tem.

4. On motion elected Rev. W. W. Blackburn Field Worker for the coming year.

5 On motion adjourned the business session for the hour.

6 Homes were assigned for the delegates by Rev. H M. Winkler.

7. Closing prayer by Rev. H. M. Winkler and adjourned until 7: 30 p m for night session.

NIGHT SESSION

Rev. C. W. Sexton delivered an interesting sermon on "The work of co-operation with the problems of life."

SUNDAY MORNING

Convened at 9 a. m.

1. Singing by Long Branch and Pleasant Home choirs.

2. Worship service conducted by Rev. W. W. Blackburn. Prayer by Rev. Franklin Barker.

3. Sermon by Rev. W. E. Denney on the subject of "Child-Training."

4. "How to have bigger and better Sunday schools", by Rev. C. W. Sexton.

5. On motion the minutes of Saturday's work read and approved.

6. All Sunday school reports handed in.

7. J. G. Welch, W. R. Blackburn, and C. C. Parsons appointed with W. W. Blackburn as chairman on committee to set time and place for next Sunday school convention.

8. On motion the convention gave the chairman right to appoint a resolution committee. Appointed Henry Miller, E. Z. Sexton, and Rev. Geter Blevins.

9. Song by the choir.

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TABLE III.--CHURCH PROPERTY, Ashe Baptist Association Aug. 1930.

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS & POST OFFICES	Does Church own its House of Worship?	When was It Built?	Material Used	Persons Seated	No. of Rooms	Dept. Assembly Rooms	Class Rooms	Value of Church House and Grounds	Total Value of Ch. Property	Indebtedness on all Church Property	Insurance Carried
Apple Grove	H. A. Miller, Whitetop, Va.	yes	1860	wood	150	1	0	0	$600	$600	.....	.....
Baptist Home	W. R. Brown, Parker, N. C.	yes	1890	wood	300	1			500	500		
Bald Mountain	Clarke Houck, W. Jefferson	yes	1910	wood	300	1			1300	1300		
Beaver Creek	L. H. Goodman, "	yes	.....	wood	400	1			800	800		
Bethel	T H Brown, Oval	yes	1922	wood	300	1			300	300		
Big Flats	Mrs W F Church, Fleetwood	yes	1908	wood	200	1			1000	1500		
Big Laurel	Mattie Rupard, Hemlock	yes	1904	wood	200	1			700	700		
Bristol	Mannie Wallace, Jefferson	yes	1928	wood	250	1			800	800	22.00	
Buffalo	B S Harless, Smethport	yes	1869	wood	250	1			700	700		
Chestnut Hill	W H McMillan, Crumpler			wood								
Clifton	W T Miller, Clifton	yes	1903	wood	250	1			1000	1000		
Friendship	Foster Brown, Jefferson	yes	1909	wood	400	1			1600	1600		
HealingSprings	G R Ham, Crumpler	yes	1897	wood	350	1			3000	3100		
Glendale	Gordon Severt, Waggoner, N.C	yes	1914	wood	200	1			1500	1500		
Grassy Creek	Sallie Senter, Mouth of Wilson	yes	1927	wood	300	1			3000	3000		
Jefferson	Ira T Johnston, Jefferson	yes	1888	wood	250	1			1000	1000		
Land Mark	T A Jones, Grassy Creek	yes	1909	wood	300	1			3000	3000		
Laurel Knob	G S Holman, Todd	yes	1911	wood	300	1			800	800		
Liberty Grove	J P Howell, Garren	yes	1916	wood	250	1			1200	1200		
Liberty Hill	J H Waggoner, Nathans Creek	yes	1910	wood	300	1			400	400		

Little Helton	L W Waddell, Grassy Creek	yes	1926	wood	300	1		2000	2000		
Long Branch	Ray Welch, Lansing	yes	1889	wood	300	1		1500	1500		
Mission Home	J H Gentry, Fleetwood	yes	1900	wood	300	1		1600	1600		
Mtn. View	John Coldiron, Eldreth, N C	yes	1923	wood	150	1		500	500		
Meadow View	Lola Waddell, Grassy Creek	yes	1915	wood	250	1		1000	1000		
New River	W D Brown, Weavers Ford	yes	1886	wood	400	1		1500	1500		
Oak Hill	W R Blackburn, Jefferson	yes	1928	wood	300	1		1500	1500		
Old Fields	D F Phillips, Idlewild	yes	1926	wood	400	1		400	400		
Obids	H M Brown, Obids	yes	1904	wood	400	1		2000	2000		
Orion	J F Dillard, Jefferson	yes	1911	wood	300	1		2000	2000		
Peak Valley	R D Michael, Creston	yes	1904	wood	300	1		600	600		
Phœnix	Mrs F L Waddell, Creston	yes	1912	wood	300	2	4	2500	2500		1500
Pilot Mountain	C Tucker, Brownwood	yes	1912	wood	300	1		500	500		
Pleasant Hill	T R Miller, Whitetop, Va.	yes	1894	wood	300	1		700	1300		
Pleasant Home	Grant Eller, Grassy Creek	yes	1898	wood	250	1		2000	2000		
Pleasant Valley	E W Phipps, Grassy Creek	yes	.....	wood	300	1		1000	1000		
Smethport	Ernest Bumgarner, Smethport	yes	1920	wood	250	1		800	800	50	
Tuckerdale	J A Darnell, Tuckerdale	yes	1917	wood	300	1		1500	1500		
Valley Home	D R Jones, Toliver	yes	1917	wood	300	1		1000	1000		
West Jefferson	D C Severt, West Jefferson	yes	1929	brick	700	8	5 8	15000	15000	2500	
Warrensville	J C Ashley, Warrensville	yes	1929	wood	250	1		1000	1000		
	Totals				12000	49	5 12	64,500	65,200	2.572	1,500

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10. Adjourned for refreshment till 1:30 p. m.

SUNDAY EVENING SESSION

Convened at 1:30 p m. Singing by Laurel Knob choir.

1 A collection of $3.19 was made for the purpose of printing the work of the Sunday school convention in the minutes of the Ashe association.

2. On motion Rev. W. E Denney's resignation as former secretary was granted and J. G. Welch appointed in his stead.

3. Worship service conducted by Rev. Lester Denney and prayer by Rev Geter Blevins.

4. Discussions of interest were entered into by Profs C M. Dickson, J. O. Goodman and Hon. Ira T. Johnston.

5. Song by Laurel Knob choir.

6. The business of the day's work was read and approved, also, report of committee on time and place was heard. Report as follows:

TIME AND PLACE

The next Sunday School Convention will convene with the Long Branch Baptist church, two miles west of Lansing, N. C , on the 3d Saturday and Sunday in July 1931 at 10 a m Saturday morning

Introductory sermon to be delivered by Rev H. M. Winkler; alternate, Rev W. W. Blackburn.

Respectfully submitted,

J. G. Welch, W. R. Brown, C. C. Parsons.

Committee on Resolutions:

We the committee on Resolutions do thank the people of Laurel Knob church and the community in general for their kind hospitality and courtesy shown to the visiting churches and all the people in general. Also we feel grateful to the pastor, Rev. H. M. Winkler for his kindness in helping to see that everything was properly taken care of.

Respt. submitted,

H. A. Miller, E. Z. Sexton, Rev. Geter Blevins.

On motion adjourned.

W. R. Blackburn, Chairman,
J. G. Welch, Secretary.

Note— Rev. W. W. Blackburn who was appointed field worker, has resigned and C. C. Parsons was appointed to take his place.

OBITUARIES

PARSON

James C. Parson was born June 30, 1867, died August 4, 1930, thus being sixty-three years, one month and four days of age.

On September the 15, 1892 he was married to Miss Rosa Walsh. To this union were born ten children, four of whom preceeded him to the grave; three in infancy, and one son, Edgar Parson, who was killed in the World War, on March 1, 1918.

His widow and the following children survive: Charles Parson, Cumpler, W. Va., Mrs. Geo. B. Wagoner, Mrs. J. E. Whiteley of Glendale, Ohio, Mrs. Arthur Moore, Statesville, and Eva Parson at home

At the age of 20 years he professed a hope in Christ and joined Obids Baptist church about 23 years ago.

He lived a devoted Christian life until the end.

In his passing the family loses a kind husband and loving father, the church a faithful member, and the community a good citizen.

A very impressive funeral was held on August 6 at 11 o'clock by Revs. S C. Blackburn, R M. Burkett and Harrison Miller.

Active pall bearers were Toral Walsh, Robert Colvard, Howard Parson, Maynard Wingler, Jesse Baker and Rawleigh West

The flowers were carried by Misses Zelma Bard, Opal Burgess, Ora Marsh, Helen Lyall, Clemmie Hamby and Nell Dancy.

BOWLIN

Harrison Bowlin was born March 28, 1896; died August 1, 1930, it making him thirty-four years, five months and three days old.

He was married October 13, 1923 to Artie Bare who survives him and four children, three living. One has preceded him to the grave. He leaves a mother, one brother and three sisters.

He professed a hope in Christ and joined Glendale Baptist church in 1914. Harrison was just in the bloom of life when he received fatal injuries in a mine. He was taken to a hospital in Bluefield, W. Va., but died shortly after arrival.

The vacant place in his home can never be filled. As it was God's will to take dear Harrison, we hope to meet him in glory with the redeemed in a land of rest where no night cometh, but where the sunlight of God drives all darkness away.

His body was brought home and laid to rest near his little daughter. Rev. Edd Miller and Dave Roten conducted the services.

TABLE IV.--LOCAL CHURCH WORK, Ashe Baptist Association Aug. 1930.

CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help	Building & Repairs	Incidentals	Literature for S.S., B.Y.P.U and W.M.S.	Local Poor	Printing Minutes and Clerk	Total Local Ch. Work by W. M. U.	Total Local Ch. Work by Sunday School	Other Objects	Total for support Local Church Work
Apple Grove	75.00			5.00				1.00				$
Baptist Home	37.70				5.00			1.00				34.70
Bald Mountain	144.00		19.66		3.50	14.71		2.30		1.00	9.71	173.16
Beaver Creek	75.00					2.40		1.00				77.40
Bethel	61.80	46.00	81.19		23.78	15.72	11.40	2.50				242.39
Big Flats	65.55				7.67	25.00	50.00	2.00		34.55	38.67	150.22
Big Laurel	44.20	10.00	6.00	5.00		1.25	10.00	1.00		43.20	1.00	77.45
Bristol								2.00				2.00
Buffalo	58.50		20.00	2.00		5.00		2.25			5.00	87.75
Chestnut Hill	40.10					5.57		2.00			7.57	47.67
Clifton	65.00		30.00					1.50				96.50
Friendship	81.85		29.50			11.84		4.35			11.84	127.51
HealingSprings	65.75		15.00		10.00	11.00	2.00	3.00				106.75
Glendale	20.00			12.65		6.21		1.00				39.86
Grassy Creek	90.00		11.00					3.10				104.00
Jefferson	46.00							2.00				46.00
Land Mark	52.31				10.00	5.00	24.22	5.00				86.53
Laurel Knob	119.47		20.00		3.00	6.45		2.50				151.42
Liberty Grove	117.98		42.00		10.00	14.40	9.25	2.25				193.63
Liberty Hill	32.50		10.75		1.00	2.57		1.70				48.82

Little Helton												
Long Branch								2.50				2.50
Mission Home	34,75					22.00		1 00				56.75
Mtn. View	11.25							1.00				12.25
Meadow View												
New River	124.32		7.00		8.80	19.41		3.85	91.35			255.38
Oak Hill	*		4.35		10.00	3.00		2.35			3.00	19.70
Old Fields	88.78		19 74		1.00	6.19		2.50			6.19	118.21
Obids	33 51		29.00		1.00			1.00				64.51
Orion	65.00		55.00	2.00	5.00	35.00	5.00	1.10				164.00
Peak Valley	9.90					12.00		.65			12.00	22.55
Phœnix	113.00		52.00	15.00		15.00		5.30				200.30
Pilot Mountain			12.00					.50				12.50
Pleasant Hill	13.79		7.09				5.60	2.00				26.48
Pleasant Home	45.00	23.00	3.75	3.75	50	2.64		3.30	2.25		2.64	80.44
Pleasant Valley	90.00		31.00	35.00		3.76		2.50			3.76	168.53
Smethport	65.00							1.50				65.00
Tuckerdale	72.55		22.70		1.70	7.86	24.30	4.80	30.00		7.86	163.91
Valley Home	73.51		32.00	12.00	7.31	6.00	2.00	2.00				132.82
West Jefferson	1036.66		75.00	13000.00	81.00	62.63		5.00	15.00			14274.29
Warrensville	75.00		10.00					1.50				86.50
Zion Hill								1.00				1.00
Totals,	3,244.73	79.00	645.13	1,392.40	110.07	322.61	143.77	88.80	138.60	78.75	109.24	6337.87

*Pastor refused to report Salary. ☞Church Treasurers' names on another page.

Bryan Oliver Clerk of Ashe Baptist Association, Grassy Creek, N. C.

PHILLIPPS

Mrs Ellen Phillipps was born July 19, 1850. Died May 15, 1930, age 79 years, 9 months and 26 days.

When 13 years old she professed faith in Christ and joined the Primitive Baptist church at Bear Creek. Later she joined Belhel Missionary Baptist church. For forty years she remained a faithful member until May 15, 1930 when the Lord called her home.

In 1866 she was married to Jesse Dillard, Sr. To this union were born four children; Mrs J F. Walters, Mrs. J. D. Baker, W. M. Dillard, and J. F. Dillard.

Six years after the death of Mr. Dillard, she was married to Harvey Phillipps. To this union were born five children; Mrs. Julia Phillipps, Mrs. W. H. Miller, G. W. Phillipps, Walter Phillipps, and Arthur Phillips, all of whom survive except Arthur Phillipps, who died in infancy.

Mrs Phillips was a "devout" Christian, a faithful member to her church, loyal and loving to her family and many friends. Her peaceful Christian life should be an inspiration to all who love and serve the Lord.

PROGRAM ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

TO BE HELD WITH

Liberty Grove Baptist Church

Near Brownwood, N. C.,

Friday, Saturday and Sunday,

August 28, 29 and 30, 1931.

S. C. BLACKBURN Moderator, West Jefferson, N. C.
BRYAN OLIVER, Clerk, Grassy Creek, N. C.

FRIDAY MORNING, AUGUST 28.

10:00 Introductory Sermon.....Rev. J. O. Spencer.
10:30 Election of Officers.
10:45 Reception of Churches and Visitors.
11:00 Appointment of Committees.
11:15 Report on Biblical Recorder.
11:30 Co-operative Program.

(a) Report on State Missions.
(b) Report on Home Missions.
(c) Report on Foreign Missions.
(d) Roll Call of Churches on Pledges.

12:30 Adjournment for lunch—Everybody bring baskets.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, AUGUST 28.

1:30 Report on Christian Education.
2:00 Sermon ..... Rev. Lester Blevins.
2:15 Miscellaneous.
2:30 Announcement of Homes for Messengers and Visitors.

FRIDAY NIGHT, AUGUST 28.

7:30 Pastors' Conference on Evangelism,
Led by H. M. Winkler.

SATURDAY MORNING, AUGUST 29

9:00 Devotional.
9:30 Report on Baptist Hospital.
10:00 Report on Orphanage.
10:30 Roll Call of Churches for Pledges for Orphanage.
11:00 Report on Pastors' Salaries.
11:30 Sermon ..... Rev. W. E. Denney.
12:15 Adjournment for lunch. Everybody bring baskets.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON, AUGUST 29.

1:30 Report on Old Ministers' Relief.
2:00 Report on Temperance.
2:30 Report of Finance Committee.
2:45 Report of Committee on Digest of Church Letters.
3:00 Sermon ..... Rev. G. L. Trivett.

SATURDAY NIGHT, AUGUST 29.

7:30 Pastors' Conference on Enlistment, Led by .....
8:00 Sermon .....

SUNDAY MORNING, AUGUST 30

9:30 Devotional ..... Rev. W. F. Barker.
10:00 Report on Sunday Schools.
10:45 Report on Place for Next Meeting.
10:50 Report of Committee on Resolutions.
11:00 Report on B. Y. P. U.
11:15 Report on W. M. U.
11:30 Sermon ..... Rev. S. C. Blackburn.
12:30 Adjournment.

Executive Committee.

TABLE V.-Gifts to Missions, Education &c, Ashe Baptist Association Aug. 1930.

CHURCHES	Co-operative Program	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Christian Education	Orphanage	Hospitals	Total for Co-op. Program and Specials	Pledges for Co-op.Prog.	Given by Sunday School	TOTAL for Missions etc.	GRAND TOTAL
Apple Grove									5.00			
Baptist Home									25.00			
Bald Mountain	50.00					3.60		53.60	50.00			53.60
Beaver Creek	27.42					4.92		32.94	50.00			32.94
Bethel			1.96			8.84	1.56	12.36				12.36
Big Flats	27.32				4.00	56.10		87.42	5.00			87.42
Big Laurel						2 25	1.00	3.25				3.25
Bristol								35.00				35.00
Buffalo	35.00								35.00			
Chestnut Hill						8.00	2.11	10.11	5.00			10.11
Clifton						6.68	6.68	17.76		23.30		41.06
Friendship												
Healing Springs		5.00	2.50	2.50	5.50	5.50	.81	21.81	25.00		21.81	21.81
Glendale												
Grassy Creek	55.40	4.00			6.00	10.20		76.20	50.00		76.20	76.20
Jefferson	10.00					10.00		20.00	25.00			20.00
Land Mark						13.00		13.00	20.00			13.00
Laurel Knob	8.60					4.35	1.60	14.55	20.00			14.55
Liberty Grove						10.00	8.33	18.33	20.00			18.33
Liberty Hill												

Little Helton											
Long Branch											
Mission Home	2.68	13.67		3.00	12.33	3.17	34.85	25.00			34.85
Mtn. View											
Meadow View											
New River	39.62	3.50		35.50	9.12	6.00	87.74	50.00	5.95		93.69
Oak Hill								10.00			
Old Fields					10.15		10.15	10.00			10.15
Obids											
Orion											
Peak Valley											
Phœnix	68.00			25.00	15.25		108.25	60.00			108.25
Pilot Mountain								25.00			
Pleasant Hill								25.00			
Pleasant Home					10.15		10.15	25.00			10.15
PleasantValley					35.00		35.00				35.00
Smethport							20.00	20.00	6.00		26.00
Tuckerdale								10.00			
Valley Home					38.35	14.14	112.28	150.00			112.28
West Jefferson	59.69						5.00				
Warrensville											
Zion Hill											
Total,	403.73	26.77	4.40	2.50	81.50	273.79	40.00	834.75	35.25	98.01	870.00

Bryan Oliver Clerk of Ashe Baptist Association, Grassy Creek, N. C.

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST

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BRYAN OLIVER - - - Clerk & Treas.

NEXT MEETING:

The next session will be held with Warrensville Baptist Church, Warrensville, N. C.

Three Days' Session, August 26, 27 & 28, 1932.

Introductory Sermon, Rev. H. M. Winkler.
Alternate, Rev. R. M. Burkett.

Will H. McGuire's Print, Brookside, N. C.

Directory of Association

Officers:

Rev. W. E. Denney, Moderator, ... Grassy Creek, N.C.
H. A. Eller, Vice - President, ... Bina, N.C.
W. Bryan Oliver, Clerk & Treasurer, ... Grassy Creek, N.C.

Executive Committee and Board of Missions:

Ira T. Johnston, Chairman ..... Jefferson, N.C.
F. C. Nye, ... Grassy Creek, N.C.
W. T. Harless, ... Beaver Creek, N.C.
George B. Dogette, ... West Jefferso, N.C.
J. W. Gambill, ... West Jefferson, N.C.

Member State Mission Board:

Ira T. Johnston, ... Jefferson, N.C.

Standing Committees,—1932

State Missions: Rev. S. C. Blackburn, ...
Home Missions: J. C. Goodman, Beaver Creek, N.C.
Foreign Missions: Rev. J. O. Spencer, Grassy Creek, "
Sunday Schools: Rev. E Z Sexton, ...
Biblical Recorder: J O Goodman, ...
Hospitals: Rev G L Trivett, Beaver Creek
Orphanage: E C Eller, Bina
Christian Education: Ira T Johnston, Jefferson
Pastoral Support: David Harless, West Jefferson
Temperance: Rev G L Denney, Grassy Creek
Old Ministers' Relief: W A Blackburn, Grassy Creek
Obituaries: Gwynn Denney, Grassy Creek
B Y P U: D O Severt, West Jefferson
W M U Mrs J C Gambill, West Jefferson
Digest of Church Letters: A Dell Goodman, Nettle Knob

LIST OF MESSENGERS IN THE 1931 SESSION

Apple Grove—H. A. Miller, Ed Combs, Jinnie Blevins.
Baptist Home—J M Arnold.
Bald Mountain—C W Campbell, John Goodman, Millard Holman.
Beaver Creek—
Bethel—T H Brown, C L Winebarger, Roy Phillips.
Big Flatts—R C Parsons, F L Houck.
Big Laurel—By Letter.
Bristol—Arthur Childers.
Buffalo—W A Campbell, Ballard Harless.

Chestnut Hill— I. N. Hudler, W. T. Williams.
Clifton— John M. Burkett, Nathan Richardson.
Friendship— G C Burkett, Zeb Witherspoon, C C Marsh, Foster Brown.
Healing Springs— J O Spencer, M C Grace.
Glendale— By letter.
Grassy Creek— H P Haynes, W A Blackburn, Clara Baker.
Jefferson— Ira T Johnston.
Landmark— J C Jones, Walter Hurley, W C Barker.
Laurel Knob— Lawson Edwards.
Liberty Grove— George Day, Noah Greer, John P Howell.
Liberty Hill— T M Hayes.
Little Helton— N L Cooper, J A Porter, Charles Hurley.
Long Branch— Z R Barr, Ray Welch.
Mission Home— Herman Gentry, Herbert Greene, Frank Blackburn.
Mountain View—
Meadow View—
New River— Bryce Groce, C L Groce.
Oak Hill— E A Eller.
Old Fields— Mrs J E Cheek, Blanch Hartsog, Mrs G S Fletcher, L M Cheek.
Obids— T J Cockerham.
Orion— Fields Bare, W M Dillard, J L Dillard, Mack Dillard.
Peak Valley— By Letter.
Phœnix— J Q Childers, J W Barr, E C Eller.
Pilot Mountain— H M Winkler.
Pleasant Branch— E A Eller.
Pleasant Hill— T R Miller, Fielden Miller, Arthur Hart.
Pleasant Home— L P Phipps, C F Spencer, G A Eller.
Pleasant Valley— J E Phipps.
Smethport—
Tuckerdale— J A Darnell, Glen Jones, Mrs F B Tucker.
Valley Home— Eugene Toliver.
West Jefferson— G B Dogette.
Warrensville— Arthur Childers, J H Ashley, Miss Gene Ashley.
Zion Hill—

CONSTITUTION

Article 1. This body shall be called the Ashe Association.

Objects

Article 2. The object of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of

the gospel in our bounds, and in all the world, and in this work the Association will co-operate with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

Membership

Article 3. The members of this body shall be all the ordained ministers of the churches of this Association, and three delegates from each church, who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment and giving statistics of the membership and work of the church.

Organization

Article 4. At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer in such a way as the Association may direct. The last two offices may be held by the same brother.

Duties of Officers

Article 5. The Moderator shall preside at all meetings, preserve order, appoint commiltees, and perform such duties as are required of presiding officers.

Article 6. The Clerk shall keep a correct record of the proceeedings of the body, and superintend the printing and distribution to the churches, the proceedings of the body.

Article 7. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent to the Association, to pay them out as the Association may direct, and make a report at each annual session.

Time and Place

Article 8. The Association shall hold an annual meeting at such time and place as may be agreed upon.

Appointments

Article 9. At each annual meeting there shall be appointed an executive committee of five brethren who shall look after the destitution in the bounds of this Association, and co-operate with the State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention, making to the next session a report of the work done and all the gereral State Mission work.

Article 10. The Association shall convene annually on the last Friday in August. At each annual session there shall be appointed committees to make reports to the ensuing session, on the following subjects, to-wit: State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Pastoral Support, Ministerial Education, Baptist Orphanage, Biblical Recorder, Temperance, Digest of Church Letters, Finance, Place and Preacher for next Association, and Baptist Hospital.

Order of Religious Exercises

Article 11. Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon

by some brother previously appointed.

Article 12. In addition to the introductory sermon, the committee on religious exercises shall arrange at least one other sermon each day the Association is in session and all business shall be suspended while the sermon is being delivered; but no sermon shall be scheduled while the Association is engaged in a business session.

Prerogatives

Article 13. The Association will not retain in permanent fellowship any church that retains in its fellowship any member who is disorderly in doctrine or practice, or who makes, sells, or in any way deals in ardent spirits as a beverage.

Constitution—How Amended

Article 14. This Constitution may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual session.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES

1st We believe in only one true and living God, and that there are three persons in the God-head, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, and that these three are one.

2nd We believe that the Bible, the New and Old Testaments, is the Word of God and the only rule of faith and practice.

3d We believe in the impotency of man and the sovreignty of God.

4th We believe that salvation is by Grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5th We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ to be practiced only by believers in their spiritual order.

6th We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator, and that those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and doctrine, should take the Lord's Supper.

7th We believe in the final perseverance of the saints in grace to glory.

8th We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgement.

9th We believe that the existence of the righteous and the wicked will both be of eternal duration, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

RULES OF ORDER

1. Every session shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2. When the Moderator calls the house to order, every member shall at once take his seat.

3. When a member wishes to speak he shall rise and address the Moderator, and not proceed till he is recognized.

4. No member shall speak more than twice on any subject except by permission of the body.

5. No member shall leave the body during the session without permission of the Moderator.

6 It shall be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold private conversation while any person is speaking.

RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS

—OF THE—

Forty-fifth Annual Session

—OF THE—

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

—HELD WITH—

Liberty Grove Baptist Church

AUGUST 28 AND 29, 1931.

RIVERSIDE, N. C.

1. The Ashe Missionary Baptist Association met in its forty-fifth annual session with Liberty Grove Baptist church, Friday, August 28 and 29, 1931. Prayer by Rev. P. H. Haire.

Scripture lesson 1st Cor. chapter 13. Introductory sermon by Rev. J. O. Spencer. Text, Nehemiah 46: "The people had a mind to work."

2. Election of officers. Rev. W. E. Denney elected Moderator, and. W. Bryan Oliver elected Clerk and Treasurer.

3. Moved that the Sunday session of the association be moved to the Mott tent at West Jefferson.

4. Reception of visitors: Perry Morgan, Raleigh, representing the general work; Prof. O. E. Sams, Mars Hill College; Rev. W. A. McMillan, from Mills Home; Rev J. M. Page, representing the Biblical Recorder and the Johnson Memorial; Rev. C A. Upchurch of Raleigh, Supt. Anti-Saloon League, and S. C. Eggers, Three Forks association, were seated with the body.

5. Appointed committees:

Finance: Chas. E. Hurley, Dr. J. C. Gambill, Carol Burkett.

Religious Exercises: Delegates and Pastor of Liberty Grove church

Com. to nominate Ex. Committee: H P Haynes, I N Hudler, W A Blackburn.

Resolutions: Hon Ira T Johnston, Revs J O Spencer; G L Trivett.

Place and Preacher: Delegates from Friendship, Old Fields, Warrensville, and Chestnut Hill with Rev H M Winkler Chairman.

6. Biblical Recorder represented in an address by Rev. J.M. Page.

7. Report on general work represented by Perry Morgan and adopted.

8. At the request of Perry Morgan, the Moderator appointed Rev H. M. Winkler, Rev. W. F. Barker, Mrs. F. B. Tucker and Minnie Haire as a committee to nominate a promotion committee for the every-member-canvass week, Nov. 29 to Dec. 6, 1931.

9. Adjourned for lunch. Prayer by Rev. J. O. Spencer.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, 1:30 P. M.

1. Prayer by Rev. R. E. Caudill.

2. Report on Christian Education discussed by Prof O. E. Sams and Rev. P. H. Haire and adopted.

3. Report on Temperance adopted.

4. An address on "Temperance" by Rev. C. A. Upchurch. A collection amounting to $4.75 was taken to help bear his expenses.

5. Report of committee to nominate Promotion Committee, carrying the following names: Ira T. Johnston, Chairman, Revs. J. O. Spencer, W. E. Denney, H. M. Winkler, and G. L. Trivett, Misses Minnie Haire and Ella Sue Vannoy, Mesdames J. C. Gambill, and F. B. Tucker, Profs. B. H. Duncan and J. C. Goodman. Adopted.

6. Homes for messengers announced.

7. Adjourned. Prayer by C. A. Upchurch.

Saturday Morning, August 29, 1931, 9 A. M.

1. Devotional reading by Rev E. Blevins. Prayer by Rev. J.M. Page and H. M. Winkler.

2. Minutes of previous day read and approved.

3. Moved that business of association be completed and the association adjourned on the present day.

4. Moved that order of program be left up to the moderator.

5. Report on Pastoral Support discussed by Revs. J. M. Page, W F. Barker, and P. H. Haire and adopted.

6. Report on Baptist Hospital discussed by Revs. S C Blackburn P H Haire, J O Spencer, H M Winkler and C E Howall. Adopted.

7. A collection amounting to $13 05 was taken to send a sick girl

of the Crumpler section, to a hospital.

8. Report on Orphanage discussed by Felix Houck and adopted. Several churches agreed to send loads of produce to the orphanage.

9. On motion Pleasant Branch church was received into the asso.

10. Sermon by Rev. G. L. Trivett. Text, Ezekiel 34: 26.

11. An address by Rev. J. M. Page in regard to the Livingston Johnston Memorial.

12. Resolution for the Ashe association to try to raise its quota of $200 for this memorial adopted.

13. Adjourned for lunch. Prayer by Rev. E. A. Eller.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON, AUG. 29, 1931.

1. Prayer by Rev. T. M. Hayes.

2. Report on Old Ministers' Relief discussed by Revs. J. M. Page, and T. M. Hayes and adopted.

3. Report on Sunday Schools discussed by Revs. W E Denney, H M Winkler, Arthur Ashley and by Roby Parsons and J P Howell and adopted.

4. Moved that the Moderator appoint a committee to investigate certain reports of Rev. W. W. Blackburn and recommend action to his church.

5. Committee appointed: Revs. G L Trivett, E Blevins, P H Haire

6. Report of Finance Committee adopted.

7 Moved that the Clerk be empowered to print as much material as the money paid in will pay for.

8. Report on Place and Preacher adopted.

9. Report of committee to nominate the Executive Committee conveying these names: Ira T Johnston, Chm., Prof. F C Nye, W T Harless, J W Gambill, and George B Dogette, adopted.

10. Prof. J. C. Goodman appointed to promote efforts to raise our quota on Johnston memorial.

11. Report of Committee on Resolutions adopted.

12. Report of committee on Digest of Church Letters adopted.

13 Adjourned until next annual session.

REPORTS

BIBLICAL RECORDER

At the Baptist State Convention of 1833, a monthly paper called the Interpreter was adoeptd as the organ of the Convention. It soon became a weekly paper and the name was changed to Biblical Recorder. So it will soon be 100 years old. It has stood the test of almost a century and that fact alone should commend it to us. It contains much information on all the phases of our denominational

work. This information is indispensable to our success as a denomination. The stockholders are publishing the Recorder below cost. This should inspire all churches and pastors to aid in increasing its circulation. J. O. Goodman.

STATE MISSIONS

Possibly the greatest organization in North Carolina is the Baptist State Convention. While we are interested in Christian Education, Hospitals, Orphanage, and Old Ministers' Relief, our greatest concern is the evangelization of our people. We have made some progress. Last year we baptized into our churches 20,265. We are grateful to God for this. But we need nothing at present any more than a vision of our task and our responsibilities. We have yet in N.C. 1,153, 873 lost people. At our present rate it would take us 56 years to evangelize our yeople if no one else grew up. With the on coming generations, and with the passing of the present generation, we can see that multitudes of our people are going to be lost unless we awake to our duty and responsibility. We believe a vision will get the needed money. Pastors, let's let our folks see the need. G. L. Trivett.

HOME MISSIONS

The Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention is challenged with the greatest opportunity in its history.

Within the far-flung bounds of the Convention, we have a great population to whom we owe the story of redeeming love.

Italians, French, Mexicans, Spaniards and other nationalities, have settled in our territory, who are waiting to hear the story of Christ's love and power to save.

The Board is struggling with a great debt, hampered in its operations by lack of funds. There have of necessity been some distressing retrenchments made.

Last year 106 faithful missionaries gave themselves to the great task of winning the South to the Christ. During the past year over 10,000 sermons were preached, and 2,109 people confessed Christ in baptism and 1,265 united with the churches by letter.

Our people need to recognize the tremendous importance just now of our Home Mission work. J. O. Spencer.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Christ said, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature". This command is personal to each one of us. Christians who cannot go in person can not escape the duty to aid in carrying the gospel with their means and their prayers. Let us put this program in our individual and church budgets and write it on our hearts. Rev. P. H. Haire Com.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Preaching and teaching went hand in hand in the ministry of Jesus Christ. Lack of Christian training, based on New Testament doctrine, retarded the progress of the Gospel through many ages.

The passing of the last century has been marked by a greater effort in Christian training than any century since the coming of the Christ. Some of the good results of this great effort have been the growth and influence of practically all denominations, and the sending of the gospel to all quarters of the earth.

Notwithstanding these splendid achievements, our Christian schools of to-day are being rapidly outclassed and even crowded out by state-supported schools. In addition to this, our state convention is still struggling under a heavy debt incurred by the rebuilding of Meredith College for women. The depression in business has reduced contributions to the Cooperative Program and the Centennial Campaign.

Therefore all true friends of, and believers in Christian education should come to the aid of our Baptist schools if our position of influence and leadership in the religious realm is to be maintained. Because without material aid and moral support our Baptist schools can but fail. J. C. Goodman Committee.

TEMPERANCE

Prohibition has been debated more than any other question before us. but this debate has been between abstainers, the drinkers and those who will compromise with the devil for political power and fame. The drinker will argue that efforts to enforce the 18th Amendment have failed and will never succed. But every thinking man and woman knows beyond doubt that conditions are far better now than before the prohibition law. We all know that before the 18th Amendment came into effect we could not go to church or any public gathering without coming in contact with men intoxicated, cursing and fighting. But this is past in every community where a few real citizens live.

If every Christian gets on God's side, and says "No" to the stuff suitable only for the devil and his crowd, the bootlegger and moonshiner will soon starve out and find himself an honorable vocation.

Not only will it be a complete enforcement of the 18th amendment but it will accomplish more toward checking the crime wave thruout our country than any other agency, for crimes are largely committed by those who violate or encourage the violation of the prohibition law. David Harless.

PASTORAL SUPPORT, 1931.

We can not pay our pastors. We can and should support them.

A husband can not pay the wife of his bosom and the mother of his children. But if he is a good husband, he can and will support her adequately. If he does not, the Law says he is a criminal. Perhaps we are criminals in the sight of God if we do not support our pastors.

Last year it was reported that all the Pastors of the Association were paid $3,244.73. The same report listed more than 20 Pastors. Figure it out for yourself and answer to your conscience and your God, what is your duty? Ira T. Johnston Com.

HOSPITALS

Our Hospital is no longer an experiment, it has more than eight years of service to suffering humanity, which reflects the many blessings that it has given to the sick and suffering.

Since the opening of this institution, more than 15,000 patients have been admitted, coming from every section of the state and from other states, and from every walk of life, Ministers, Widows, orphans, have come and their cries have been heard, and they have been sent away rejoicing.

The majority of these patients are charity patients, either half or full charity. We need the support of our people who must go to the Hospital and are able to pay for the treatment they get, we should send our people who cannot pay, and it is sure we should go if able to pay, for if we send those who can not pay and those who can pay go elsewhere, then the institution must close its doors.

The low death rate, and the wonderful Christian atmosphere call for you and yours when sick, and for your support when well.

Will not every church in the Ashe Association take a free-will offering on "Mothers' Day" for charity work in the hospital?

Fifteen thousand dollars left the hospital in your will would care for one patient from now until Jesus comes back to earth or as long as time lasts. Remember the institution in your PRAYERS, your WILLS, and in your OFFERINGS. H. M. Winkler, Com.

MILLS HOME

There is nothing so vital to the interest of community and home life as the young life, even from infancy to maturity. There is nothing that gets so near the heart of man as the needs of our youth The great desire of all parents is to live to see their children reach the age of maturity and be established in the faith of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, but so many are deprived of this privilege, passing out of this life only to leave the burden of their hearts to be carried by some one else. Let us try to fulfill the Scripture which says, "Bear ye one another's burdens and so fulfill the law of Christ" and there is no better way to do this than to support and maintain our Baptist institution at Thomasville, erected for the purpose which

at present is careing for 900 of these orphan children. This institution is using every available means for the development, physical, mental and spiritual welfare of those in their care. Although our contributions are falling off debt is piling up, children with neither father nor mother, helpless widows and their children are being hopelessly turned away for lack of room and money. Every Sunday school should contribute at least once a month and save the situation. More than one half the S.S. are sending no contribution at all. We recommend that every S. S. take a collection once a month and forward to R. D. Covington, Thomasville, N. C., also, that a special Thanksgiving offering be made, which should be the greatest collection of the year and the hope of saving from crushing debt.

C. E. Howell.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS 1931

The Sunday school is one of the greatest factors in the spiritual life of the churches that we have, and yet one of the most neglected phases of our work, by the majority of our church membership. I sometimes wonder at this neglect on the part of so many, when all will have to admit that this is the most important of our work, especially our young people.

I notice that out of a church membership of 3,245, that there is a Sunday school enrollment of 2,202. Deducting the children who are not enrolled as church members, we find that more than two-thirds of our members are not in Sunday school.

The Sunday school is a training camp for the rising generations, for God's service and glory. The minds of children are capable of spiritual cultivation so soon as they can understand. They may be taught, and there is no better place, (aside from the Christian home training) than the Sunday school to teach them those virtues and graces which constitute Christian piety.

The Word teaches us to "train up a child in the way it should go and when it is old, it will not depart from it."

Now if we desire their salvation in early youth, we must begin in early youth to plant in their hearts the good seed, which is the word of God.

We recommend that every means be employed faithfully, prayerfully, and perseveringly, and then God will not condemn us, and our consience will be clear when we meet teem at the judgement bar of God.

W. E. Denny.

OLD MINISTERS' RELIEF

The Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention is the only agency that administers aid for the support of our aged ministers.

During the last conventional year this Board aided 691 aged min-

isters, 603 ministers' widows and 150 dependent children in the entire South. During this same year, this Board aided 70 aged ministers and 59 ministers' widows, all in North Carolina.

This aid is not charity, but a long-standing obligation to these aged veterans of the cross for services rendered by them to the South and the world.

All in all, they have preached 2500 years and baptized 50,000 professed believers. During all these years, these aged ministers have answered God's call for service regardless of salary or sacrifice.

The average monthly alotment to men is $10 14. The average monthly alotment to women is $9.69. These amounts are small, but greatly appreciated by the beneficiaries. We should not neglect this feature of our work. E. C. Eller.

FINANCE REPORT

Minute Fund	$70.52
Co-operative Prog.	19.30
Total . .	$89 82.

Chas. Hurley, Carol Burkett.

PLACE AND PREACHER

Place: Warrensville.

Preacher: H. M. Winkler. Alternate: R. M. Burkett.

H. M. Winkler, Chm.

RESOLUTIONS

We your committee on Resolutions submit the following :

First, That we express to the Liberty Grove church and commni- our heartfelt thanks for the wonderful hospitality shown during the sitting of this association. Never has hospitality been more generous.

Second, That this body express its appreciation to those whose sermons and addresses have contributed to the making of this a great meeting. J. O. Spencer, G. L. Trivett, Com.

DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS

Members last year,	3245	No. B. Y. P. U Members,	116
Baptisms	149	No. W. M. U.	2
Present Total Membership	3320	No. W.M.U. Members,	96
No. Sunday Schools,	32	Pastors' Salaries,	$ 3,008.11
S. S. Average Attendance	1127	Total Local Ch. Exp.	5,957.93
No. B. Y. P. U. Societies	3	Gifts to Co-op. Prog.	354.59

A. Dell Goodman.

REPORT ON W. M. U.

Financial and Membership report of the W.M.U. Organizations from July 1, 1930, to June 30, 1931. (Four quarters)

	Finance	Organization	Membership
Beaver Creek	$13.25	W. M. S.	5
Big Flatts	48 55	W. M. S.	10
		Jr. G. A.	6
West Jefferson	18.14	W. M. S.	40
		Y. W. A.	19
		Jr. G. A.	12
Totals,	$79.94		92

Minnie Haire, Associational Supt.

Dear Baptist sisters of the Ashe Association, great is our opportunity now in creating, strengthening and maintaining a great spirit of missions in our local churches and entire association.

To every woman who reads this I would whisper the message that Martha whispered to Mary: "The Master is come and calleth for thee." He calls you to definitely enlist in the work of His Kingdom; 1. to study His Word, 2. to study His fields of service and his workers, 3. to pray definitely, regularly and intelligently for His cause, 4. to set up a better program of Christian living in your own community through personal service, and 5. to give regularly, proportionately and systematically to Missions, the cause for which Christ gave all. Do you not want to answer His call and help the other women and young people of your church, to so hear His voice and know the great joy of a completer service, yea a completer life in Christ Jesus?

The Woman's Missionary Union presents the plan and helps to carry it out.

How I pray that as you read this your heart may yearn for this help in your church, if you do not already have it, or that you will write or see Minnie Haire, Fleetwood, N.C., your associational supt. and that we may pray and work together in the greatest cause in the world, the carrying on to-day of Christ's Great Program.

(Miss) Minnie Haire.

W. M. S. ASSOCIATIONAL MINUTES

Met with West Jefferson Baptist church on Tuesday, July 14, '31

Elected Miss Minnie Haire president, Mrs. G.N.Oliver secretary.

A splendid program was enjoyed by all.

Next meeting will be held with Big Flatts the first week in June, 1932.

Mrs. G. N. Oliver, Sec.

TABLE I.-CHURCH MEMBERSHIP ETC. Ashe Baptist Association Aug. 1931

CHURCHES	Town, village or country	When Constituted	PASTORS AND POST OFFICES	Days of Meeting	Membership Last year	Received: By Baptism	Received: By Letters	Received: By Statements	Restorations	Lost: Letters	Excluded	Erasures	Deaths	Total present Membership	Weekly Prayer Meetings	Revivals during the year	Observed the Lord's Supper	Families taking Recorder
Apple Grove	c	1899	J. C. Blevins, Grassy Creek	2	48	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	50	no	1	1	0
Beaver Creek	c	*			45									45				
Bald Mountain	c	1910	G. L. Trivett, Beaver Creek	1-3	114									87	no		1	
Baptist Home	v	1890	J. R. Trivett, Meat Camp NC	....	56	17	6							79				
Bethel	c	1851	G. L. Trivett, W. Jefferson	2	135	9	5			4				143	yes	1	1	
Big Flatts	c	1905	L. A. Wilson, Boone	3	101					2			2	97	yes		1	3
Big Laurel	c	1889	J F Stanley, Hemlock	1	48	3			5				2	56	no		1	
Bristol	c	1888	Arthur Ashley, Warrensville	3	64									64	yes	2		
Buffalo	c	1869	J O Spencer, Grassy Creek	4	124	3								127		1	1	
Chestnut Hill	c	1928	T J Cockerham, Crumpler	2	30	15	7							52	no	1	1	2
Clifton	c	1923	M D Blackburn, W Jefferson	2	31	4	1	1						37	no	1	1	
Friendship	c	1880	W E Denny, Grassy Creek	3	105	8							1	112	yes	1	1	
Healing Springs	c	1888	J O Spencer, Grassy Creek	1-4	154	2	1						1	156	no	1	1	
Glendale	c	1914	H Miller, N Wilkesboro	....	60									60				
Grassy Creek	c	1927	J O Spencer, Grassy Creek	3	73	5	1							79	no	2	1	1
Jefferson	t	1888	J L Underwood, Sparta	1	49									49	no			
Landmark	c	1856	W E Denny, Grassy Creek	4	193	9	3				1		3	201	no	1	1	
Laurel Knob	c	1911	H M Winkler, Todd	2-4	108	2	3			4				109	no	1	1	
Liberty Grove	c	1915	H M Winkler, Todd	3	95					3				92	no	1	1	
Liberty Hill	c	1907	R M Burkett, Jefferson	3	33	1	1						1	34	no		1	

Little Helton	c	1923	G L Denny, Grassy Creek	2	57	3					1			59	yes	1	1	
Long Branch	c	1889	W R Blackburn, Jefferson	2	37	7	1		4	2		1		46	yes	1	1	
Meadow View	c*				12									12				
Mission Home	c	1892	G L Trivett, W Jefferson	1	102	4	3	2		3		31		77	no	1	1	
Mountain View	c*				42									42				
New River	c	1889	G L Trivett, W Jefferson	4	163	5	2			9		66	2	93	no	1	1	3
Oak Hill	v	1927	E A Eller, Grassy Creek	1	35								2	33	no	1	1	2
Obids	c	1892	T J Cockerham, Crumpler	4	65					1				64		0		
Old Fields	c	1803	T M Hayes, Nathans Creek	4	150	15	1			3		1	4	158	no	1	1	
Orion	c	1911	T M Hayes, " "	....	67	10	1						1	77	no	1	1	
Peak Valley	c	1904	Paul Ham, Creston	4	48	4							1	51	no	1	1	
Phœnix.	c	1908	W E Denny, Grassy Creek	2	99					2	1			96	no	1	1	8
Pilot Mountain	c	1917	H M Winkler, Todd	3	53									53				
Pleasant Hill.	c	1894	A F Miller, Whitetop, Va	4	45	4		6					3	52	no	1	1	
Pleasant Home	c	1870	J O Spencer, Grassy Creek	4	102	1				2				101	no	0	1	
Pleasant Valley	c	1926	E A Eller, " "	1	59					1	1			57	no	1	1	
Smethport	t*	1913		4	71									71				
Tuckerdale	c	1917	W E Denny " "	1	77	5					1		1	80	no	1	1	
Valley Home	c	1916	M D Blackburn, W Jefferson	1	77	7								84	yes	1	2	
Warrensville	v	1871	Arthur C Ashley, War'nsv'le	3	43	1	2			1				45	no	1	1	
West Jefferson	t	1916	1-2-3-4		183	1	7			2				189	yes	1	1	
Zion Hill					12									12				
Pl's'nt Branch	c	1931	E A Eller, Grassy Creek	4	0	5	16	5						26	no			
Totals,					3304	152	61	14	9	39	5	99	24	3381				19

°No Report,—Last year statistics.

Ordained Ministers in the Association

Name	Address
Ashley, Arthur	Warrensville, N.C.
Arnold, J. M.	——— Tenn.
Barker, W. F.	Grassy Creek, N.C.
Blabkburn, S. C.	West Jefferson, N.C.
Blackburn, M. D.	Beaver Creek, N.C.
" W. R.	Jefferson, N.C.
Blevins, J C	Grassy Creek, N.C.
" J J	" "
" L W	" "
" E	" "
Burkett, R M	Jefferson, N.C.
Campbell, J A	" "
Caudell, R E	Nettle Knob "
Childers, Joseph	Grassy Creek, "
Cockerham, T J	Nathans Creek, "
Coffey, H L	Troutdale, Va.
Denny, W E	Grassy Creek, N.C.
" G L	" "
Dolinger, R L	Sturgills, "
Eller, E A	Grassy Creek, "
Goodman, C F	Todd, "
Gaultney, H H	Grassy Creek, "
Haire, P H	Fleetwood, "
Hamby, J M	——— W Va
Hayes, T M	Nathans Creek, N.C.
Howell, J G	Jefferson, "
Howell, Lee	Husk, "
Hurley, W L	Crumpler, "
Miller, A F	White Top, Va
Neaves, J M	Crumpler, N.C.
Parsons, C C	Grassy Creek, "
Powers, Arthur	Lansing, "
Sexton, C W	Edison, "
" E Z	" "
Spencer, J O	Grassy Creek, "
Stanly, Frank	Hemlock, "
Trivette, J S	Fleetwood, "
Trivette, G L	Beaver Creek, "
Wilcox, Joseph	Summit, "
Winkler, H M	Todd, "

Sunday School Convention

Held with Long Branch Baptist church July 18 & 19, 1931.

Introductory sermon by Rev. E. Blevins.

Election of officers: Rev. W. R. Blackburn Moderator.

J. G. Welch Secretary.

C. C. Parsons Field Worker.

A splendid program was enjoyed by all. Able discussions and sermons were contributed by Rev. C. W. Sexton, Rev. James Church, Rev; W. E. Denny, Prof. C. M. Dickson and others.

The next Sunday School convention will be held with Landmark Baptist church on the 3rd Saturday and Sunday in July, 1932.

Introductory sermon by Rev. J. O. Spencer.

Rev. W. R. Blackburn Chm.

J. G. Welch, Sec.

OBITUARIES

BLEVINS

Gladys Blevins, wife of David Blevins and daughter of Mr. and Mrs Tom Dolinger, was born December 30, 1900; died September 1, 1930. Age twenty-nine years, eight months and one day.

She professed a hope in Christ and joined Pleasant Hill Baptist church in 1923 where she lived a true member until death.

FARMER

Rebecca Farmer was born October 9, 1886; died March 16, 1931. Age forty-four years, five months and seven days.

She was married to Wiley Farmer November 27, 1906. To this union were born ten childsen, five of whom preceded her in death.

She professed a hope in Christ about 1913 and united with Pleasant Hill Baptist church and lived a true member there until death.

GREENE

George Calvin Greene was born January 9, 1870. Died April 16 1931. Age sixty-one years, three months and seven days.

He professed faith in Christ in 1916 and joined the Baptist church at Orion and there lived a true member until death.

Mr. Greene was very prominent in the public affairs of the county and always proving faithful to any trust placed in him by the people of the county.

In the passing of Mr. Greene the church has lost one of its best members, the county one of its best citizens, and his wife and children a good husband and father.

PHIPPS

Larkin Phipps was born July 23, 1858; departed this life December 5, 1930. Age seventy-two years, four months, twenty-two days.

In early life he professed faith in Christ and joined the Methodist church. Later in life he joined Old Fields Baptist church and there lived a true member until death.

SHEPHERD

Miley Shepherd was born August 20, 1852; departed this life May 7, 1930. Age sixty-seven years, eight months and seven days.

She was married to Franklin Shepherd August 1872, and to this union four children were born.

She professed a hope in Christ and joined Pleasant Hill Baptist church in 1917. She remained a true member of this church until the end.

TAYLOR

Ruby Taylor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Taylor, was born July 5, 1924; died December 35, 1930 Age six years, five months and twenty days.

To know Ruby was to love her but the Heavenly Father knows best. We feel that our loss is her eternal gain.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Received from Finance Committee:

For Printing Minutes	$70.52	
For Co-operative Program	19.30	
Total		$89.82

Paid:

To Waltnrs Durham	$19.30	
Printing Minutes	51.00	
Lost by Bad Check	2.00	
Express, Stationery & Postage	10.00	
Total		$82.30
Balance . .		$ 7.62

Bryan Oliver, Clerk & Treas.

Note by Clerk:

Much material had to be left out on account of shortage of funds.

Sunday School Table

CHURCHES	Location	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST OFFICES	Officers & Teachers	Enrolled	Average Attend.
Apple Grove	c				
Beaver Creek	c				
Bald Mountain	c	Walter L Houck, B. Creek	5	56	40
Baptist Home	v	J W Woodards, Parker	5	52	44
Bethel	c	T H Brown, Oval	10	137	69
Big Flatts	c	H V Walker, Fleetwood	13	119	45
Big Laurel	c	Mrs Mattie Rupard, Hemlock	5	41	20
Bristol	c	J N Calloway, Jefferson	4	66	40
Buffalo	c	B S Harless, Smethport	10	133	75
Chestnut Hill	c	W H McMillan, Crumpler	6	96	48
Clifton	c	J M Burkett, Fig	7	74	—
Friendship	c	David Burkett, Jefferson	6	109	40
HealingSprings	c	J G Phipps, Jefferson	5	61	51
Glendale	c	J D Whitely, Glendale Springs	8	69	—
Grassy Creek	c	S R Hale, Grassy Creek	7	68	
Jefferson					
Landmark	c	C C Parsons, Grassy Creek	8	60	
Laurel Knob	c	G S Holman, Todd	6	46	41
Liberty Grove	c	C E Howell, Todd	7	105	51
Liberty Hill	c				
Little Helton	c	Charlie Hurley, Grassy Creek	5	52	40
Long Branch	c	J G Welch, Lansing	5	56	
Meadow View	c				
Mission Home	c	J C Greene, Fleetwood	12	84	60
Mountain View					
New River	c	W D Brown, Weavers Ford	6	93	45
Oak Hill	v	Jackson Barker, Bina	4	44	40
Obids	c	B C Dillard, Obibs	9	66	57
Old Fields	c	B F Layne, Idlewild	9	61	50
Orion	c	Mack Dillard, Jefferson	8	60	35
Peak Valley	c	D C Michael, Creston	6	67	—
Phœnix	c	F L Waddell, Bina	8	71	35
Pilot Mountain	c	Ruth Phillips, Virgil	5	37	20
Pleasant Hill					
Pleasant Home	c	C F Spencer, Grassy Creek	5	48	30
PleasantValley	c	J C Jones, Grassy Creek	6	46	38
Smethport					
Tuckerdale	c	J E Davis, Lansing	6	85	30
Valley Home	c	L M Roark, Toliver	5	73	
Warrensville	v	J H Ashley, Warrensville	10	93	93
West Jefferson	t	J C Goodman, West Jefferson	9	170	105
Zion Hill					
Pl's'nt Branch	c	F F Halsey, Grassy Creek	7	39	30
		Totals,	237	2537	1251

OBITUARIES,—continued

HAM

Joshua Ham was born in the year 1873; died November 26, 1930. Age 57 years.

In early life he was married to Mary Goss. To this union eight children were born. The wife and children preceded him to their eternal home. He was married a second time to Laura Eldreth and to this union three children were born.

He professed faith in Christ about eighteen years ago and united with Long Branch Baptist church, where he lived a true member until the end.

HURLEY

Malinda Hurley was born April 20, 1866; died April 1, 1931. Age sixty-five years, eleven months and eleven days.

She was married to Wm. Hurley and to this union four children were born, two of whom preceded her in death.

She professed faith in Christ at an early age and joined Landmark Baptist church where she lived a loyal member until the end.

HURLEY

Wm. Hurley departed this life July 24, 1931, being about 71 years of age.

He was married to Malinda Denny and to this union four children were born. Two of the children, with their mother, preceded him to their eternal home.

He professed faith in Christ at an early age and joined Landmark Baptist church where he lived a loyal member until the end.

LOVE

Noah Love joined Old Fields Baptist church August 31, 1930. Died October 15, 1930. In the short time that brother Love belonged to the church he was a true member.

MUNDAY

J. L. Munday was born July 2, 1858; died November 7, 1930. Age seventy- two years, four months and five days.

He professed faith in Christ in 1898 and united with Peak Valley Baptist church where he lived a true member until death.

PARSONS

Pearl Parsons was born March 4, 1909; departed this life March 15, 1931. Age twenty-two years and twenty-one days.

She professed faith in Christ July 1928 and joined Oldfilds Baptist church where she remained a member until death.

Church Property Table

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS AND POST OFFICES	When Built	Value of Property
Apple Grove	H. A. Miller, Whitetop, Va.	1899	$ 650
Beaver Creek	L. H. Goodman, Beaver Creek, NC	——	800
Bald Mountain	Clark Houck, West Jefferson	1910	1300
Baptist Home	W R Brown, Parker, "	1890	600
Bethel	T H Brown, Oval,	1022	3000
Big Flatts	Minnie Payne, Fleetwood	1908	1200
Big Laurel	Mrs M Rupard, Hemlock	1904	500
Bristol	Mamie Wallace, Jefferson	1928	800
Buffalo	B S Harless, Smethport	1869	700
Chestnut Hill	W H McMillan, Crumpler	1931	1200
Clifton	W T Miller, Clifton	1902	1000
Friendship	Foster Brown, Jefferson	1909	
Healing Springs	G R Ham, Crumpler	1897	3100
Glendale	Gordon Severt, Wagoner		1500
Grassy Creek	Mrs Sallie Senter, Mouth of Wilson	1927	3000
Jefferson	Ira T Johnston, Jefferson	1888	1000
Landmark	T A Jones, Grassy Creek	1909	3000
Laurel Knob	G S Holman, Todd	1910	800
Liberty Grove	J P Howell, Garren	1916	1600
Liberty Hill	J H Wagoner, Nathans Creek	1910	400
Little Helton	Charlie Hurley, Grassy Creek	1928	2000
Long Branch	Ray Welch, Lansing	1920	1520
Meadow View	Lola Waddell, Grassy Creek	1915	1000
Mission Home	J H Gentry, West Jefferson	1900	1600
Mountain View	John Coldiron, Eldreth	1923	500
New River	W D Brown, Weavers Ford	——	1500
Oak Hill	F H Shatley, Jefferson	1928	1500
Obids	H M Brown, Obids	1902	2000
Old Fields	E F Phillips, Idlewild	1926	4000
Orion	J F Dillard, Jefferson	1911	2000
Peak Valley	Marion Mundy, Creston	1904	400
Phœnix	G L Waddell, Bina	1908	2500
Pilot Mountain	C Tucker, Brownwood	1912	500
Pleasant Hill	T R Miller, Whitetop, Va.	1894	800
Pleasant Home	Grant A Eller, Grassy Creek	1898	2000
Pleasant Valley	Blaine Phipps, Grassy Creek	1926	1200
Smethport	Ernest Bumgarner, Smethport	1920	800
Tuckerdale	J A Darnell, Tuckerdale	1917	1500
Valley Home	D R Jones, Todd	1917	1000
Warrensville	J H Ashley, Warrensville	1929	1000
West Jefferson	D C Severt, West Jefferson	1929	15000
Zion Hill	Horton Sheets, Wagoner	——	500
Pi's'nt Branch	Violet E Reedy, Grassy Creek	——	500
Note—Every church owns its House of Worship.		Total Value,	$68,770

FINANCE TABLE,--Local Church Expenses.

CHURCHES	CHURCH TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES	Pastor's Salary	Ministerial Help	Building & Repairs	Incidentals	Literature for S.S., B.Y.P.U. and W.M.S.	Local Poor	Minute Funds	Other Objects	Total Given	Given by W.M.S.	By S. S.
Apple Grove	H. A. Miller, Whitetop, Va.	50.00		70.00			5.50	1.00		127.00		
Beaver Creek	No report.											
Bald Mountain	Walter L. Houck, Beaver Creek	10.95				9.20				20.15		
Baptist Home	W R Brown, Parker, NC	76.25	116.25							192.50		
Bethel	T H Brown, Oval	60.87	53.22	118.20	8.40	23.94	8 00	2.50	2.25			
Big Flatts	P H Haire, Fleetwood	64.80	12.50	8.00	8.00	14.66	60.00	2.00	4.02	173.98	80.15	15.18
Big Laurel	Earl Roten, Hemlock	41.00	15.00							56.00		
Bristol	Mamie Wallace, Jefferson	30.00						1.50		31.50		
Buffalo	Mrs Ella Friesland, Smethport	72.97	20.00							92.97		
Chestnut Hill	W H McMillan, Crumpler	51.15	15.00	8.00		6.20		2.00	4.00	878.35		6.20
Clifton	W T Miller, Clifton	53.00						1.50				
Friendship	I K Luther, Jefferson	50.00	36.17			13.02		1.87		88.04		13.02
Healing Springs	G R Ham, Crumpler	45.00	15.00		5.00	10.00		3.00		78.00		
Glendale	Gordon Severt, Wagoner	9.00						1.00		10.00		
Grassy Creek	Mrs Sallie Senter, Mouth of Wilson	85.00						3.00		88.00		
Jefferson	Mrs R F Blevins, Jefferson	52.70						2.00		54.70		
Landmark	I A Jones, Grassy Creek	50.00	20.00		20.00			5.00		95.00		
Laurel Knob	Lawson Edwards, Todd	116.00				6.49				124.49		6.49
Liberty Grove	C E Howell, Todd	116.95	26.22		12.54	11.67	14.57			183.95		
Liberty Hill	J H Wagoner, Nathans Creek	25.65						2.05		27.70		

Little Helton	Charlie Hurley, Grassy Creek	22.33	10.00		5.00	3.68	5.00	3.00		49.01			
Long Branch	Earl Sexton, Edison	45.07	5.00		15.00	1.46	2 00	2.50		71.03			
Meadow View	No report.												
Mission Home	J H Gentry, West Jefferson	38.75	32.85	127.20		12.72	1.10	1.20		212.62		12.72	
Mountain View	John Coldiron, Eldreth	6.25	5.00			1.20				12.45			
New River	W D Brown, Weavers Ford	87 11	30.00		12.00	14.05		3.50		146.66		14.05	
Oak Hill	F H Shatley, Jefferson	7.00						1.10		8.10			
Obids	H M Brown, Obids	20.70		6.00	11.00		1.00	.75	3.50	42.95			
Old Fields	Mrs Cora Cheek, Idlewild	90.70	50.64		1.00	16.86	9.00	2.50		170.70		16.86	
Orion	W J Bare, Jefferson	50.00	20.00			5.00	10.00	2.00	10.00	114.00			
Peak Valley	D C Michael, Creston	29.72				8.00		1.00		38.72			
Phœnix	Mrs F L Waddell, Bina	101.00	53.65		20.00	20.00		5.00	3.23	202.88			
Pilot Mountain	C Tucker, Brownwood	37.50				1.50		1.00		40.00			
Pleasant Hill	T R Miller, Whitetop, Va.	13.70	87.80							101.50			
Pleasant Home	J F Sturgill, Grassy Creek, N C	55.00				3.70		3.25		61.95			
Pleasant Valley	Blaine Phipps, Grassy Creek	56.00						2.00		58.00			
Smethport	No report.												
Tuckerdale	W H Darnell, Tuckerdale	65.00	37.00		6.55	9.05	20.00	4.80		142.40			
Valley Home	D R Jones, Todd	75.00			5.00		15.00	2.00		97.60			
Warrensville	J H Ashley, Warrensville	75.00				6.00		2.00	5.00	88.00			
West Jefferson	Miss Mae Faw, West Jefferson	1381.96		548.29	351 67	76 15	7.50	4.00	60.81	2431 38	379 54	11077	
Zion Hill	No report.												
Pl's'nt Branch	Violet E Reedy, Grassy Creek	9.13				2.50		1.50					
	TOTALS,	3,34721	661.70	1,677.69	467.16	277.05	158.67	70.02	92.81	6.779.21	359 69	195.31	

Orion reports $27.00 for "Other Salaries, included in its total.

Program Ashe Baptist Association

To Be Held With

WARRENSVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH

Friday, Saturday and Sunday, August 26, 27 and 28, 1932.

Rev. W. E. Denney Moderator, Grassy Creek, N. C.

Bryan Oliver Clerk, Grassy Creek, N. C.

Friday Morning, August 26.

10:00 Introductory Sermon ..... Rev. H. M. Winkler.
10:30 Election of Officers.
10:45 Reception of Churches and Visitors.
11:00 Appointment of Committees.
11:15 Report on Orphanage.
11:30 Co-operative Program
- (a) Report on State Missions.
- (b) Report on Home Missions.
- (c) Report on Foreign Missions.
- (d) Report on Every Member Canvass.

12:30 Adjournment for lunch—Everybody bring baskets.

Friday Afternoon, August 26.

1:30 Report on Christian Education.
2:00 Report on Biblical Recorder.
2:30 Sermon ..... Rev. Arthur Ashley.
2 45 Miscellaneous.
3 00 Announcement of Homes for Messengers and Visitors.

Friday Night, August 26

7:30 Pastors' Conference on Evangelism,
Led by ..... Rev. W. E. Denney.

Saturday Morning, August 27

9:00 Devotional ..... Rev. Ezekiel Blevins.
9:30 Report on Baptist Hospital.
10:00 Report on Temperance.
10 30 Roll Call of Churches for Pledges for Orphanage.
11:00 Report on Pastors' Salaries.
11 30 Sermon ..... Rev. T. M. Hayes.
12:15 Adjournment for lunch. Everybody bring baskets.

Saturday Afternoon, August 27

1:30 Report on Old Ministers' Relief.
2 00 Report of Finance Committee.
2 15 Report of Committee on Digest of Church Letters.
2 30 Sermon ..... Rev. R. M. Burkett.

Saturday Night, August 27

7:30 Pastors' Conference on Enlistment, Rev. G. L. Trivett.
8:00 Sermon ..... Rev. G. L. Trivett.

SUNDAY MORNING, AUGUST 28

9:00 Devotional... Rev. W. F. Barker
10:00 Report on Sunday Schools
10:45 Report on Place for Next Meeting
10:50 Report of Com. on Resolutions.
11:00 Report on B. Y. P. U.
11,15 Report on W. M. U
11:30 Sermon.. Rev. J. O. Spencer.
12:30 Adjournment. —Ex. Committee.

FINANCE TABLE,--Missions, Benevolence Etc.

CHURCHES	Co-operative Program	State Missions	Foreign Missions	Christian Education	Orphanage	Hospitals	Other Special Gifts	TOTAL
Apple Grove					2.75	2.75		5.50
Beaver Creek								
Bald Mountain								
Baptist Home								
Bethel	2.84				7.67	2.72	2.25	15.52
Big Flatts	46.85	1.25	5.00		46.50		.50	100.10
Big Laurel					1.00			1.00
Bristol								
Buffalo	7.25				2.25	2.00		11.50
Chestnut Hill					4.00			4.00
Clifton								
Friendship					10.00	9.00		19.00
HealingSprings	16.77	4.65		3.00				24.42
Glendale								
Grassy Creek	50.12	4.50			13.00	5.82		73.44
Jefferson	10.00				10.00			20.00
Landmark				6.50	9.07	12.60		28.17
Laurel Knob	7.00							7.00
Liberty Grove	20.00				44.13	4.83		68.96
Liberty Hill								
Little Helton								
Long Branch						10.90		10.90
Meadow View								
Mission Home	8.86				2.00	4.56		15.42
Mountain View								
New River	41.38				23.96			65.34
Oak Hill								
Obids		5.10						5.10
Old Fields	10.00							10.00
Orion					12.38			12.38
Peak Valley					1.00			1.00
Phœnix	60.00			45.59	71.77			177.36
Pilot Mountain	11.50							11.50
Pleasant Hill	5.00							5.00
Pleasant Home	14.18					2.50		16.68
PleasantValley								
Smethport								
Tuckerdale	20.00				4.10	10.40		34.50
Valley Home								
Warrensville						5.55		5.55
West Jefferson	44.95				78.54			166.85
TOTALS.	316.70	15.40	5.00	55.09	343.12	72.63	2.75	853.35

West Jefferson $38.75 for Old Ministers' Relief, Home Missions 4.61

Treasurer's Report should say "For Printing Minutes" $53.00.

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ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

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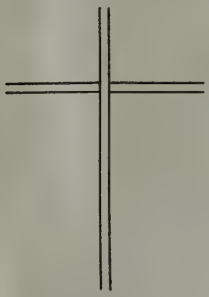

HELD WITH

WARRENSVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH

WARRENSVILLE, N. C.
AUGUST 25, 26, 27, 1932

REV. W. E. DENNY - - - - - Moderator
BRYAN OLIVER - - Clerk and Treasurer

The Next Session Will Be Held with Old Fields Baptist Church, Idlewild, N. C., August 25, 26, 27, 28, 1933
Introductory Sermon, Rev. C. W. Sexton
Alternate, Rev. T. A. Farmer

DIRECTORY OF ASSOCIATION OFFICERS

Rev. W. E. Denney, Moderator.....Grassy Creek, N. C.
H. A. Eller, vice-president.....Bina, N. C.
W. Bryan Oliver, clerk and treasurer.....Grassy Creek, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND BOARD OF MISSIONS

Ira T. Johnston, chairman.....Jefferson, N. C.
J. W. Duncan.....Beaver Ceek, N. C.
W. T. Harless.....Beaver Creek, N. C.
George B. Doggett.....West Jefferson, N. C.
J. W. Gambill.....West Jefferson, N. C.

MEMBER STATE MISSION BOARD

Ira T. Johnston.....Jefferson, N. C.

STANDING COMMITTEES, 1933

State Missions, Rev. L. W. Belvins.....Grassy Creek, N. C.
Home Missions, Prof. F. C. Nye.....Grassy Creek, N. C.
Foreign Mission, Prof. B. H. Duncan.....Trade, Tenn.
Sunday Schools, Rev. H. M. Winkler.....Todd, N. C.
Biblical Recorder, Ira T. Johnston.....Jefferson, N. C.
Hospitals, Prof. J. C. Goodman.....Beaver Creek, N. C.
Orphanage, Rev. M. D. Blackburn.....West Jefferson, N. C.
Christian Education, Rev. J. O. Spencer.....Grassy Creek, N. C.
Pastorial Support, Claud L. Grace.....Weavers Ford, N. C.
Temperance, Rev. T. A. Farmer.....Lansing, N. C.
Old Ministers Releif, Rev. G. C. Burkett.....Jefferson, N. C.
Obituaries, C. G. Denny.....Grassy Creek, N. C.
B. Y. P. U., Rev. H. M. Gerald.....West Jefferson, N. C.
W. M. U., Mrs. G. N. Oliver.....West Jefferson, N. C.
Digest of Church Letters, A. Dell Goodman...Nettle Knob, N. C.
J. F. Phipps, and G. R. Duvall.....Crumpler, N. C.

LIST OF MESSENGERS IN THE 1932 SESSION

Apple Grove.....Victor Tucker, Wells R. Miller, Jennie Blevins
Bald Mountain.....Clark Houck, J. E. Houck
Baptist Home.....M. L. Sturgill, Ray Patrick, W. R. Brown
Beaver Creek.....C. S. Wilcox, W. F. Goodman, A. J. Giles
Bethel...A. D. Goodman, T. H. Brown, Bob Watson, Fred Vannoy
Big Flats.....J. F. Houck
Big Laurel.....Lee Howell
Bristol.....Thomas Johnson, Mamie Wallace, Emmett Bullens
Buffalo.....W. A. Campbell, Carl Hodgson, F. N. Hudler
Clifton.....Nathan Richardson, K. L. Eller
Friendsip.....Bertie Dixon, J. E. Witherspoon, Zeb Witherspoon
Glendale.....Represented by letter
Grassy Creek.....H. P. Haynes, C. F. Peak, W. A. Blackburn

Healing Springs.....G. R. Hamm, Mrs. Callie Fender
Jefferson.....Mrs. R. F. Blevins
Landmark.....Avery Barker, C. G. Denny, A. P. Barker, James Hurley, Coy Barker
Laurel Knob.....Thelma Bowen, H. M. Winkler
Little Helton.....N. L. Cooper, Charlie Hurley, Carl Sexton
Long Branch..Z. R. Barr, J. G. Welch, Reuben Sexton, Belle Barr
Liberty Grove.....H. M. Winkler
Mission Home.....J. C. Greene, J. C. Greene, J. F. Blackburn
Mountain View.....John Coldiron, Quincy Davis
New River.....J. R. Rouple, Charles G. Phipps, C. L. Grace
Oak Hill.....Jackson Barker, J. A. Campbell
Old Fields.....Levi Cheek, J. E. Cheek, W. M. Blackburn
Obids.....Denner Sturgill, George Bower, W. H. Miller
Peak Valley.....Represented by letter
Pilot Mountain.....L. C. Phillips
Phoenix.....E. A. Eller, J. Q. Childers, Ed Eller
Pleasant Hill.....Arthur Hart, Lee Howell
Pleasant Home....C. N. DeBoard, G. Eller, J. B. Eller, F. Pasley
Pleasant Branch.....T. F. Halsey, J. V. Reedy, S. T. Gowings
Pleasant Valley.....Arthur Marsh
Sabbath Home.....Mrs. C. L. Goss, John Goss, Mrs. Wm. Price
Smethport.....P. S. Bumgarner, Jake Day, James Taylor
Tuckerdale.....Moody Brooks, W. H. Darnell, Nannie Tucker
Valley Home.....D. R. Jones, R. A. Stephens, Walter Eldreth
Warrensville.....Arthur Childers, Vance Ashley, J. H. Ashley
West efferson.....D. C. Severt, W. G. Myers, G. B. Doggett, J. W. Gambill, J. C. Goodman

ORDAINED MINISTERS IN THE ASSOCIATION

Ashley, Arthur.....Warrensville, N. C.
Barker, W. F.....Grassy Creek, N. C.
Belcher, T. E.....West Jefferson, N. C.
Bennett, H. M.....Apple Grove, N. C.
Blackburn, S. C.....West Jefferson, N. C.
Blackburn, M. D.....Beaver Creek, N. C.
Blackburn, W. R.....Grassy Creek, N. C.
Blevins, J. C.....Grassy Creek, N. C.
Blevins, J. J.....Grassy Creek, N. C.
Blevins, L. W.....Grassy Creek, N. C.
Blevins, E.....Grassy Creek, N. C.
Burkett, G. C.....Jefferson, N. C.
Burkett, R. M.....Jefferson, N. C.
Campbell, J. A.....Jefferson, N. C.
Childers, Joseph.....Grassy Creek, N. C.
Denney, G. L.....Grassy Creek, N. C.
Dolinger, R. L.....Sturgills, N. C.
Eller, E. A.....Grassy Creek, N. C.
Farmer, T. A.....Lansing, N. C.
Fields, Wm.....Thaxton, N. C.
Goodman, C. F.....West Jefferson, N. C.
Gaultney, H. H.....Grassy Creek, N. C.

Haire, P. H. ..... Fleetwood, N. C.
Handy, J. M. ..... West Virginia
Hayes, T. M. ..... Nathan's Creek, N. C.
Howell, J. G. ..... Jefferson, N. C.
Hurley, W. L. ..... Crumpler, N. C.
Keller, L. N. ..... Garren, N. C.
Miller, A. F. ..... White Top. Va.
Neaves, J. M. ..... Crumpler, N. C.
Parson, C. C. ..... Grassy Creek, N. C.
Powers, Arthur ..... Lansing, N. C.
Sexton, C. W. ..... Edison, N. C.
Sexton, E. Z. ..... Edison, N. C.
Spencer, J. O. ..... Grassy Creek, N. C.
Stanley, Frank ..... Hemlock, N. C.
Trivett, J. S. ..... Fleetwood, N. C.
Trivette, G. L. ..... Beaver Creek, N. C.
Wilcox Joseph ..... Summit, N. C.
Winkler, H. M. ..... Todd, N. C.
Wyatt, Granville ..... White Top, Va.
Wyatt, Preston ..... White Top, Va.

CONSTITUTION

Article 1. This body shall be called the Ashe Association.

OBJECTS

Article 2. The object of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the gospel in our bounds, and in all the world, and in this work the Association will co-operate with the Baptist State Convention of North Caroina.

MEMBERSHIP

Article 3. The members of this body shall be all the ordained ministers of the churches of this Association, and three delegates from each church, who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment and giving statistics of the membership and work of the church.

ORGANIZATION

Article 4. At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer in such a way as the Association may diect. The last two offices may be held by the same brother.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Article 5. The Moderator shall preside at all meetings, preserve order, appoint committees, and perform such duties as are required of presiding officers.

Article 6. The Clerk shall keep a correct record of the pro-

Scripture lesson Rev. 2, 1-5. "Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast left thy first love."

3. Election of officers by acclamation. Rev. W. E. Denney elected Moderator, Bryan Oliver elected clerk and treasurer.

4. Reception of new churches, Sabbath Home was admitted to the body.

5. Reception of visiting brethren. The following were seated during the session: Perry Morgan, Raleigh, representing the general work; Rev. C. M. Cope, Middle Association of Maryland; Rev. J. L. Underwood, of Alleghany Association; Rev. C. A. Upchurch, of Raleigh, representing the Biblical Recorder; R. D. Covington, Thomasville, Treasurer of Mills Home; Prof. S. A. Trentham, of Mars Hill College.

6. Appointment of committees: Finance, Charles Hurley, G. R. Hamm, Ed Eller; to nominate Executive Committee: D. C. Severt, C. W. Sexton, Victor Tucker; Religious Exercises, Pastor and delegates of Warrensville Baptist curch; Resolutions, J. C. Goodman, B. H. Duncan, W. A. Blackburn; Place and Preacher, delegates from Healing Springs, Mountain View, Beaver Creek, Old Fields, and Valley Home churches, with George B. Doggett as chairman.

7. Report on Mills Home, submitted by E. C. Eller, discussed by E. C. Eller, H. W. Eller, Rev. W. F. Barker, Rev. Arthur Ashley, J. H. Ashley, Rev. C. W. Sexton, and adopted.

8. Pastors and delegates unanimously agree to give their support to the orphanage.

9. Report on cooperative program taken up. Report on State Missions of last year read. Report on Home Missions submitted and read by Prof J. C. Goodman. Report on Foreign Missions submitted and

read by Rev. J. O. Spencer. These reports were discussed by Rev. J. O. Spencer, Rev. G. L. Trivette, Rev. H. M. Winkler, Rev. C. M. Cope, and adopted.

10. Perry Morgan addressed the Association in behalf of the general work of the Baptist State convention, and Southern Baptist Convention.

11. Report of Committee to nominate a promotion committee for the Every Member canvass carrying the names of Ira T. Johnston, Chairman, C. W. Sexton, J. M. Winkler, F. C. Nye, J. C. Goodman, D. C. Severt, J. O. Spencer, Minnie Haire, adopted. Prayer by Rev. W. F. Barker.

12. Adjourned for lunch. Prayer by Prof. J. C. Goodman.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

1. Prayer by Rev. T. A. Farmer.

2. Report on Christian education discussed by Rev. C. M. Cope, H. A. Eller, and Rev. R. M. Burkett, and adopted.

3. Report on Biblical Recorder discussed by Rev. H. M. Winkler, Rev. T. A. Farmer, and George B. Doggett, and adopted.

4. Moved that the editor of the Biblical Recorder be instructed by the proper authorities to stop all subscriptions coming into the association when the paid up time expires.

5. Sermon by Rev. Arthur Ashley. Text "Ye are the light of the world."

6. Moved that the time of sending in the church letters be changed from August 15 to the time of the convening of the Association on the last Friday in August.

7. Homes for Messengers assigned.

8. Adjourned. Prayer by Rev. W. R. Blackburn.

FRIDAY NIGHT

1. Sermon by Rev. T. A. Farmer. Text "In Him was life, and that life was the light of men."

SATURDAY MORNING, AUGUST 28, 1932

1. Association called to order. Singing led by Rev. W. R. Blackburn.

2. Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. E. Blevins. Prayer by Rev. W. A. Patton.

3. Minutes of previous day adopted.

4. Report on hospitals submitted by Rev. G. L. Trivette, discussed by Rev. W. E. Denney, Rev. C. W. Sexton, Rev. H. M. Winkler, Grant Eller, Rev. C. C. Parsons, and adopted.

5. Report on Temperance, submitted by Rev. G. L. Denney, discussed by Rev. H. M. Winkler, Rev. T. A. Farmer, Prof. B. H. Duncan, Rev. Lee Howell, Rev. C. W. Sexton, David Harless, Rev. W. A. Patton, Rev. W. F. Barker, G. B. Doggett, Rev. W. E. Denney, Rev. R. M. Burkett, Rev. C. C. Parsons, and Jess Davis, and adopted.

6. Report on pastorial support submitted and discussedy by David Harless, H. A. Eller, and W. H. McMillan, and adopted.

7. Several pastors reported wonderful spiritual growth in their churches.

8. Sermon by Rev. W. E. Moretz. Text "This one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, I press forward toward the work of the high calling, for the prize which is in Christ Jesus, our God." Theme, "The forward look."

9. Collection for minute funds, amounting to $4.75.

10. Rev. C. A. Upchurch solicited subscriptions to the Biblical Recorder.

11. Adjournment. Prayer by Rev. G. L. Trivette.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

1. Singing led by Rev. E. Z. Sexton.

2. Prayer by Rev. J. O. Spencer.

3. R. D. Covington, treasurer of Mills Home, addressed the Association.

4. Report of finance committee adopted.

5. Sermon by Rev. R. M. Burkett. Scripture lesson Malachi 3:1-9. Text Nehemiah 5:6, "The People had a mind to work."

6. Report on digest of church letters, submitted and discussed by A. Dell Goodman, and adopted.

7. Adjournment. Prayer by Rev. C. A. Upchurch.

SATURDAY NIGHT SESSION

1. Sermon by Rev. C. M. Cope. Text Genesis, 32:28.

SUNDAY MORNING SESSION

1. Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. W. F. Barker. Scripture lesson, I. Timothy 1. Prayer by Rev. C. M. Cope.

2. Minutes of previous day read and adopted.

3. Report on Sunday schools submitted by Rev. E. Z. Sexton, discussed by Rev. C. M. Cope, Prof. J. C. Goodman, Prof. T. E. Belcher and Rev. Wm. Gerald, and adopted.

4. The Moderator appointed a committee to arrange with Perry Morgan for Sunday school teacher training for this association. The committee appointed was Prof. J. C. Goodman, Prof. T. E. Belcher, Rev. Wm. Gerald.

5. Report of committee on place and preacher adopted.

6. Report of committee on Resolutions adopted.

7. Prof Trentham, of Mars Hill College addressed the association.

8. Report on B. Y. P. U. submitted by D. C. Severt, discussed by D. C. Severt, W. G. Myers and Rev. Wm. Gerald, and adopted.

9. Sermon by Rev. J. O. Spencer, Text, Acts, 6:5.

10. On motion adjourned until next annual session. Prayer by Rev. W. E. Denney.

MILLS HOME

In the fall of 1930 your committee had the privilege and opportunity of spending one half day and one night at Mills Home.

This is a great institution and our Baptist people should be proud of it. This Home was founded by J. H. Mills in 1885 and continued to be its leader until 1895 when J. B. Boone became his successor and held this important place until 1905; and then the beloved M. L. Kester became his successor, who on the 20th of August, 1932, was killed at Thomasville, N. C. in an automobile and train wreck, after having served honorably as Superintendent for 27 years. The orphan children of North Carolina have lost their best friend, and the Ashe Association, as well as all of the Associations in North Carolina, mourn his death.

The needs of both Mills and Kennedy Home are great. About 900 orphan children are fed, clothed, taught to work and given a Christian education at this institution.

Bretheren of the Ashe Association, stand by the Orphanage in caring for the unfortunate children of N. C. First, by observing the once-a-month offering in our Sunday schools. Second, by taking a special offering in each church on Thanksgiving day. Third, that churches send this institution loads of vegetables when possible. Fourth, that each Christian in our churches pray for this great institution and labor for enlargement. —E. C. ELLER.

STATE MISSIONS

Possibly the greatest organization in North Carolina is the Baptist State Convention. While we are interested in Christian Education, Hospitals, Orphanage, and Old Ministers' Relief, our greatest concern is the evangelization of our people. We have made some progress. Last year we baptized into our churches 20,265. We are grateful to God for this. But we need nothing at present any more than a vision of our task and our responsibilities. We have yet in N. C. 1,153,873 lost people. At our present rate it would take us 56 years to evangelize our people if no one else grew up. With the on coming generations, and with the passing of the present generation, we can see that multitudes of our people are going to be lost unless we awake to our duty and responsibility. We believe a vision will get the needed money. Pastors, let's let our folks see the need.

—G. L. TRIVETT.

HOME MISSIONS

The Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention is the Southwide agency for doing missionary and evangelistic work in the four western provinces of Cuba, the Canal Zone, and the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The vexing problem of the Home Board for these last years, has been, and still is, the task of paying its debts incurred during prosperous times. The Home Board, with the other Mission Boards, is determined to pay off its debts and make no more new ones. The Baptists of the Ashe Association should come to the help of the Home Board in this worthy undertaking. Paying of this debt will enable the Home Board to go about the work of evangelizing and train-

ing the future generations in a much greater way.

The Home Board has the opportunity and privilege of winning thousands of foreigners who are coming to our country, as well as large numbers of our own people, to Christ. This work cannot be done without funds. The only hope for money with which to bear the expenses of our Home Missionaries is the liberality and missionary zeal of our people.

All who are of a willing heart should respond liberally to the urgent call and need of the Home Mission Board in its efforts to strenghthen and spread the Gospel of the Kingdom in our Southland. It is also the duty of every follower of Christ to pray for every agency and organization that is striving to spread the Gospel of Salvation.

—J. C. GOODMAN.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

In 1932, the Foreign Mission Board presented its eightly-seventh annual report, with a sense of deep gratitude to the bretheren for their cooperation, and to God for his blessings.

God has wonderfully blessed the Foreign Mission work. In 1906 there were 214 churches. By 1931 these had grown to 2,681. One remarkable thing about the growth is that 1,868 are self-supporting.

In 1906 there were 12,894 members. In 1931 there were 169,311. The debt on the Foreign Mission Board has been reduced a little since January first. The Board has included in its 1932 budget $60,000 to be used for the reduction of these debts.

Bretheren of the Ashe Association, let us stand by the Foreign Mission Board and help it carry out the great command of Christ in sending the Gospel to the uttermost parts of the world.

—J. O. SPENCER.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

During this time of economic depression, our Christian school have suffered along with all other agencies dependent upon the financial support of our people. But we are thankful that they are still carrying on and training leaders for our causes. We should not forget them in days of adversity and we must not forget them when prosperity returns; for these institutions have been and are our "pillar of cloud by day and pillar of fire by night."

We recommend support of the program of our denomination and all its organized work, which includes Christian education. Our Churches will follow our own leaders but we cannot expect them to go beyond our leaders. Therefore, we should have leaders loyal to the core to the organized work of our Baptist State Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention. Our pastors should believe in Christian education and should preach it from their pulpits. They should seek the best possible training for themselves.

Our churches should demand pastors in harmony with the denominational program. They should encourange our pastors by responding as God has blessed them with financial support of the causes presented. We must lift up our eyes and broaden our horizon if we do not go forward, we will inevitably go backward which God forbid!

Respectfully Submitted
IRA T. JOHNSTON, Committee.

BIBLICAL RECORDER

At the Baptist State Convention of 1833, a monthly paper called the Interpreter was adopted as the organ of the Convention. It soon became a weekly paper and the name was changed to Biblical Re-

corder. So it will soon be 100 years old. It has stood the test of almost a century and that fact alone should commend it to us. It contains much information on all the phases of our denominational work. This information is indispensable to our success as a denomination. The stockholders are publishing the Recorder below cost. This should inspire all churches and pastors to aid in increasing its circulation.

—J. O. GOODMAN.

REPORT ON HOSPITAL

The North Carolina Baptist Hosptital is no longer an experiment. For eight years it has served in the field of social service, answering the call of North Carolina's sick and needy Baptists, and has never turned a case down whose application was properly signed by the church and physician.

Since its opening, it has cared for more than fifteen thousand patients, regardless of their wealth or social standing. This year charity work has increased, and pay patients decreased, until it is necessary that we do something for it.

Therefore, we recommend that the churches of this assciation use their influence to get those who are able to pay their way to patronize our own hospital, and that churches from which charity patients are sent, raise $1.50 per day to help bear their expenses.

—G. L. TRIVETT.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

Temperance is one of the many great questions that our Baptist people need to be concerned about. Today, the liquor traffic is deliberately concentrating all its resources to continue and complete the work of Death.

It is destroying our peace, defiling our manhood, and blighting our youth. Never in the history of our denomination has there been a time more needful for Southern Baptists to cme out in the open and contend for a most strict enforcement of the prohibition law, and contend against any repeal of this law. There is not any sight more pitiable than that of a drunken toper daily shaking his fist in the face of Society and demanding as his right the liquor fire which has al- health, a home of his own, education and comfort for ready robbed him of reputation, business, friends, health, a home of his own, education and comfort for his family, and even self-respect.

Such will be the condition of many homes if we allow the 18th Amendment to be repealed.

Therefore be it resolved

First, that we, the Baptists of the Ashe Association, in this one purpose, appeal to the Supreme Judge of the world for the righteousness of our cause. Second, that in support of this report, with a firm reliance on Divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our fortunes and our sacred honor.

—G. L. DENNEY.

REPORT ON PASTORS' SALARIES

Jesus, when he was on his mission and found men at their occupation, called those he cold trust into his service, and they immediately left all and followed Him. They never went back into their old occuation, but went forward with the task entrusted in their hands.

Is our work any less important? Is the need any less urgent than it was when our Master trod this earth? I, for one, say not. Therefore, our Lord intended for his ministering servants to forsake all and follw Him daily.

How are they going to do the bidding of our Lord unless we, as his redeemed, open up our hearts and pocketbooks to their support? I'm sure in this enlightened and Christian age in which we live that they will not be fed by the ravens nor with manna from Heaven, but this task will fall on you and me.

No pastor can know his members by name nor the environment in which they have to live, nor the members know their pastor unless he is located in the midst of them. Therefore, I urgently insist that each pastor locate himself a field and devote his entire time to the great task that God has trusted to his hands, and that we, as God's redeemed, children, see to their support. —DAVID HARLESS.

OLD MINISTERS' RELIEF

The Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention is the only agency that administers aid for the support of our aged ministers.

During the last conventinal year this Board aided 691 aged ministers, 603 ministers' widows and 150 dependent children in the entire South. During this same year, this Board aided 70 aged ministers and 59 ministers' widows, all in North Carolina.

This aid is not charity, but a long-standing obligation to these aged veterans of the cross for services rendered by them to the South and the world.

All in all, they have preached 2500 years and baptized 50,000 professed believers. During all these years, these aged ministers have answered God's call for service regardless of salary or sacrifice.

The average monthly allotment to men is $10.14. The average monthly allotment to women is $9.69. These amounts are small, but greatly appreciated by the beneficiaries. We should not neglect this feature of our work. —E. C. ELLER.

FINANCE

We, the Finance Committee, make the following report: Collected for minutes and clerk, $76.38.

EDWIN ELLER,
CHARLES E. HURLEY,
G. R. HAM.

CHURCH LETTERS

Members last year, 3,320; baptisms, 389; present membership, 3,526; number of Sunday school, 35; Sunday school enrollment, 2,784; average attendance, 1,725; number B. Y. P. U's., 5; number W. M. U. members, 112; pastor's salaries, $2,065.12, gifts to benevolences, $742.95; total of all church gifts, $5,313.70.

—G. DELL GOODMAN.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School is a great part of our church work. It proves to a great extent just how much our Baptist people and churches care for the future cause of the Baptist, the destiny of our country and the religion of the Crucified Savior.

How shall the great army of our children that is to take our government and churches be prepared except they be taught. No nation or people can be civilized or enlightened without the knowledge of Christ and his Gospel. If we as pastors and church members will take about half our pleasure money and half our pleasure time and give them to the training of our children in Sunday School we would have better citizens, better communities, and more active and better churches.

Pastors are very poor shepherds if they pastor churches that do not have Sunday Schools or won't

have them. They need to go home and wait till God calls them to a more Christian work.

If we as citizens and Christians desire a better world to live in and for our children to live in let's do our duty! We need to put in action our prayers. Faith is dead without works.

We earnestly beg parents to stop and think if they can what the souls of their children are worth. There are but two places in eternity. Where shall we spend eternity? Where will our children spend eternity?

—E. Z. SEXTON.

PLACE AND PREACHER

We, your committee on place and preacher, submit the following report: Place, Old Fields. Preacher, Rev. C. W. Sexton, Alternate, Rev. T. A. Farmer.

G. B. DOGGETT, Chairman.

RESOLUTIONS

First, we express to the Warrensville Baptist church and village our gratitude and appreciation for their generous hospitality and entertainment shown during the sitting of the forty-sixth annual session of the Ashe Baptist Association. The welcome and hospitality has been typical of all our generous-hearted mountain people. Judging from the quantity and quality of the food present, the depression has not reached Warrensville yet. Second we graciously thank the good Methodists of Warrensville for tendering their adequate church building in which to hold the sessions of our Association, as well as their cooperation and help in feeding the Association.

Third, we likewise wish to thank all ministers,

officers, committee, delegates and visiting bretheren for their good sermons, speeches and wise counsel in the deliberations of the body.

B. H. DUNCAN,
J. C. GOODMAN,
W. A. BLACKBURN,
Committee.

B. Y. P. U. REPORT

Preaching, teaching, and training went hand in hand in the ministry of Jesus Christ. Lack of Christian training, based on New Testament doctrines, retarded the progress of Christianity through many ages and is still continuing to do so. Therefore in the Southern Baptist Convention for the past 35 years, the State Convention for the past 21 years and the County Convention for the past 4 years, have been seeking to supply this much needed training, to the young Christians, through the organization known as Baptist Young Peoples Union. Realizing this, let the pastors and all the laymen of this association back young people up in obtaining this training with the same enthusiasm that you do the preaching and teaching services of your church.

—D. C. SEVERT.

W. M. U. REPORT

Dear Baptist sisters of the Ashe Association, great is our opportunity now in creating, strengthening and maintaining a great spirit of missions in our local churches and entire association.

To every woman who reads this I would whisper the message that Martha whispered to Mary: "The Master is come and calleth for thee." He calls you to

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M. N. U. MINUTES

The Baptist Woman's Missionary Union of the Ashe Association met in its annual meeting with Big Flats Baptist church. The house was called to order by the associational superintendent, Miss Minnie Haire, and Rev. M. L. Farmer led the devotional. Mrs. F. L. Houck gave the welcome address, and Mrs. W. F. Shumate responded. Miss Haire gave her report of the work of the past year, stating some aims and ambitions for the coming year.

Five churches were represented and reported. Phoenix, Mission Home, Liberty Grove, Big Flats and Ball Mountain.

Pastors present were recognized and helpful talks were given by Rev. G. L. Trivett and M. L. Farmer. Minnie Haire spoke on "Twenty-fifth anniversary of Royal Service." Mrs. Edna Harris was introduced by Miss Haire and gave a very helpful address on "The Guiding Principle of W. M. U."

Committees on time and place, resolution and nominations were oppointed. The morning session closed with prayer by Rev. P. H. Haire. A picnic lunch was enjoyed by all. The afternoon devotional exercises were conducted by G. L. Trivett.

Minnie Haire introduced and presented for signers a resolution against the practice of lynching. The training school and Heck Memorial were discussed, then Mrs. Harris gave an interesting explanation of the 1932 Heck Memorial offering, showing many posters made by the students of Pooi, in school in China, to which the offering goes. Further discussion of good literature completed her talk.

A play, given by Big Flats young people, talks by several young people in the stewardship contest, Ruth Greene, of Big Flats, winning in the Sunbeam group. Minnie Jordan, Big Flats, in the G. A. group, and

Rexford Campbell, of Bald Mountain, in the Int. R. A.

Reports of Committees; first, time and place. On Saturday before the third Sunday June 1933. Mission Home Baptist church, Fleetwood. Second, Resolution. The Baptist W. M. U. of the Ashe Association in annual session, June 21, wish first, to thank our superintendent, Miss Minnie Haire, for her faithful efforts during the past year, and her well-planned program for the day. Second, to express our appreciation for the presence of the two pastors, Revs. Trivett and Farmer, and thank them for their helpful devotions, and their cooperation on their fields. Third, we wish to thank everyone that helped to carry on the day program, and especially to the young people who participated in the stewardship declamation contest, and pledge our encouragement to the boys and girls, who were present to enter more definitely into the study of Missions as thir great interest. Fourth, we wish to express our appreciation to the Big Flats church for the bounteous dinner provided and served on the lawn, and the welcome and fellowship extended to us. Fifth, nomination reported and the following officers elected: Miss Minnie Haire, Supt. Mrs. J. O. Goodman, Associate Supt., Mrs. J. C. Gambill, Mission study chairman. Mrs. T. E. Shumate, Personal Service chairman, Mrs. T. E. Belcher, Young People's leader, Miss Lucy Greene, Sec. Treas.

The meeting adjourned with a benediction prayer by Mrs. Edna Harris.

MISS MINNIE HAIRE, Supt.
MISS LUCY GREENE, Sec. Treas.

MINUTES S. S. CONVENTION

The Ashe Baptist Sunday School Convention convened at Landmark Baptist church July 30, 1932.

The convention was called to order by the chair-

man, Rev. W. R. Blackburn. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Rev. Ezekiel Blevins, chairman; Mrs. Mollie Denny, secretary; Rev. C. C. Parsons was re-elected field worker.

Rev W. E. Denny read the rules of order.

A motion was made and carried that a program committee be appointed. The following were appointed: Rev. L. W. Blevins, Rev. T. A. Farmer, and David Harless.

By motion a committee was appointed on time and place for the next convention. The following were appointed: Friendship, B. M. Burket; Grassy Creek, W. R. Blackburn; Pleasant Home, Rev. E. A. Eller.

Rev. T. A. Farmer preached the introductory sermon.

SATURDAY NIGHT SESSION

A committee on resolutions was appointed as follows: J. E. Davis, J. G. Welch, Rev. L. W. Blevins.

A sermon was delivered by Rev. T. M. Hayes from the text, "For Me to Live in Christ", Phil. 1-21.

SUNDAY MORNING JULY 31

The chairman called the convention to order. Second, song service by congregation. Third, devotional by Rev. W. F. Barker from the sixth chapter of Ephesians. Fourth, prayer by Rev. Mr. Cockram. Fifth, special music by E. Z. Sexton and others. Sixth, the minute was called for reading and adopted. Roll was called by Rev. W. E. Denny. Eighteen churches were represented. Eighth, Prof. C. M. Dickson was acknowledged as representative for the M. E. Church. A report of committee on resolutions was called for and they submitted the following report:

Be it resolved: First, that this convention extend

to Landmark Baptist Church and all people of the community who have assisted in this wonderful entertainment during this convention have our heart-felt thanks and appreciation; Second, that we extend our apreciation to those whose sermons and addresses have made this a most interesting and inpiring session. Third, that we, as Sunday School workers, go forth this year to put into action the thoughts and inspirations received here. Fourth, that we commend the convention to the Baptists of the Ashe Association pleading for a broader interest in the convention on the part of the various churches. Signed L. W. Blevins, J. G. Welch, J. E. Davis.

Tenth, a speech by Prof. C. M. Dickson on "Practical Christianity." Eleventh, sermon by Rev. C. W. Sexton on the subject, "Then Departed Barnabas to Tarsus to Seek Saul." Twelfth, adjournment.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Devotional by Rev. J. T. Cockram and Rev. Ezekial Blevins. Sermon by Rev. W. L. Blevins. The secretary read the report of the committtee on the time and place and preacher for the next convention as follows: "We, your committee on time, place, and preacher for the next convention, submit the following report: place, Tuckerdale Baptist church; time, third Saturday and Sunday in July 1933; preacher, Rev. C. W. Sexton. Signed R. W. Blackburn, B. M. Burkett, T. A. Eller." This report was adopted.

Next was a speech by Walter H. Worth on "What is the Greatest Hindrance to Our Sunday Schools?" Then an address by Prof. Troy I. Jones on the subject, "The Sunday School a Factor of Education"

Adjournment.

REV. EZEKIEL BLEVINS, Chairman,
MRS. MOLLIE DENNY, Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Received from finance committee, $76.38; paid for printing minutes, $53.00; for postage, express and stationery, $10; total, $63; balance for clerk, $13.38.

W. BRYAN OLIVER, Clerk and Treasurer.

OBITUARIES

Robert Lewis

Robert Lewis, son of Gideon and Nancy Lewis, was born Dec. 25, 1827, according to the best record we have, and departed this life the 29th day of July, 1932, living 104 years, 7 months and 4 days. He was married to Elizabeth Roten at about the age of 40. To this union was born one son, Ervin Lewis, whose death preceded that of his father a little more than four years. Brother Lewis was affected with gangrene and was very feeble, but didn't seem to lose consciousnes until about a week before his death.

A daughter-in-law and seven grandchildren together with a host of other relatives and friends now mourn the loss of a true and affectionate friend. Brother Lewis professed a hope in Christ at an early age, and some time after joined the Missionary Baptist church, and lived a devoted member until death. Mr. Lewis was a devoted husband until death of his wife more than 30 years ago, then living with his son and family, he was a devoted father and grandfather. His greatest pleasure was to talk of God and His great love. The Bible was the foremost book of his library and he was blessed with the good sight to read it until death. He never seemed to be weary of life, but was jovial and happy. Despite old age, his last years seemed to be years of as much pleasure as those of youth.

The whole country as well as his family will miss the good and worthy counsel of one of their most loved and affectionate friends.

Ruth Carter

Ruth Carter, wife of John Carter and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. N. DeBoard, was born August 21, 1895, died June 15, 1932, age 36 years, nine months and twenty-four days.

She professed a hope in Christ at the age of 13, joined theBaptist Chapel Union Baptist church, later moving her membership to Pleasant Home Missionary Baptist church, where she lived a consistent member until death.

She was married to John Carter on July 29, 1917. To this union was born four children who with her husband survive. Ruth was devoted to home and friends, and to know her was to love her.

Alice Taylor Baker

Alice Taylor Baker was born December 24, 1881, aged 49 years, three months and twenty-seven days, She was the daughter of William and Martha Taylor.

Sister Baker was married to L. W. Baker on April first, 1904. To this union was born three boys and four girls, one boy and one girl died in infancy.

Sister Baker professed a hope in Christ and was baptised into Healing Springs Baptist church about 15 years ago, and remained a consistent Christian until her death. She leaves a husband, five children and a host of friends to mourn their loss. She will be greatly missed by those who knew her, for all who knew her loved her as a neighbor.

TABLE I: CHURCH MEMBERSHIP, ETC. ASHE ASSOCIATION FOR AUG. 31,1932

CHURCHES	Town, City, or Country	When Constituted	PASTORS AND POST OFFICES	Days of Meeting	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP								Total Present Members	Weekly Prayer Meeting	Revivals During Year	Lord's Sup. During Yr.	Receiving Baptist paper
					Membership Last Year	GAINS: Baptisms	GAINS: Letters	GAINS: Statements	GAINS: Restorations	LOSSES: Letters	LOSSES: Exclusions	LOSSES: Erasures	LOSSES: Deaths					
Apple Grove	C	1880	J. C. Blevins, Grassy Creek	2	48	9				2			1	54				
Baptist Home	"	1890	T. A. Farmer, Lansing	3	79					2			2	75	Yes	1		
Bald Mountain	"	1910	H. M. Winkler, Todd	2	86	6	4		5	6			1	94	Yes	1	1	1
Beaver Creek	"		H. M. Winkler, Todd	1	40	16	10	2						68	Yes	1		
Bethel	"	1851	G. L. Trivett, West Jefferson	2	143	17	2			4	1			157	Yes	1	1	
Big Flatts	"	1905	G. L. Trivette, West Jefferson	1	97	3	2			3	1		1	97	No	1	1	3
Big Laurel	"	1909	Lee Howell, Husk	1	56						2			54	No		1	
Bristol	"	1888	Arthur Ashley, Lansing	2	64					1				63		1	1	
Buffalo	"	1869	G. L. Trivett, West Jefferson	3	127	16	1			1				144	Yes	1	1	1
Chestnut Hill	"	1928	T. J. Cockerham, Crumpler	2	52	2	3			3	1			53	No	2	1	
Clifton	"	1923	M .D. Blackburn, W. Jefferson	2	36	6	1							43	No	1	1	
Friendship		1880	W. E. Denny, Grassy Creek	3	112	38	3			1			1	151	Yes	1	1	
Healing Springs	"	1888	J. O. Spencer, Grassy Creek	1	156	9	13	1		2			1	176	No	1	1	
Glendale	"	1914	Harson Miller, N. Wilkesboro	3	58	4				2	3			57	Yes	1	1	
Grassy Creek	"	1927	J. O. Spencer, Grassy Creek	3	72	24	5						1	107	No	1	1	1
Jefferson	T	1888	J. R. Underwood, Sparta	1	50					10				40				
Land Mark	C	1856	W. E. Denny, Grassy Creek	4	201	4					3		1	201	No	1	1	

Laurel Knob ...."	1912	H. M. Winkler, Todd.....	4	108	3				6			1	104	No	1	1	
Liberty Grove ..."	1913	H. M. Winkler, Todd.....	3	92	5				4				83	No	1	1	
Liberty Hill ...."	1907	R. M. Burkett, Jefferson.....	1	34								1	33	No	1	1	
Little Helton ...."	1923	G. L. Denny, Grassy Creek.....	2	59	7		1		5				62	Yes	2	1	
Long Branch ..."	1889	T. A. Farmer, Lansing.....	1	46	4	1		1	3				49	Yes	1	1	
Mission Home .."	1892	G. L. Trivett, West Jefferson....	1	68	25		1	1	1				94	Yes	1	1	
Mt. View ....."	1887	Lee Howell, Husk.....	3	45	43	3	10					1	100	Yes	1	1	
Meadow View .."	1915	Not Represented.....															
New River ....."	1889	G. L. Trivett, West Jefferson....	4	93	4				18				79	Yes	1	1	3
Oak Hill ....."	1928	Ezekiel Sexton, Lansing.....	3	37	10	2						1	48	No	1	1	
Old Fields ....."	1903	G. L. Trivett, West Jefferson....	4	158	7	4			3				166	No	1	1	
Obids ....."	1892	T. J. Cockerham, Crumpler.....	4	65								1	64	No	1	1	
Orion ....."	1911	Ezekiel Sexton, Lansing.....	1	88	6	1				1		1	93	No	1	1	
Peak Valley ...."	1904	J. R. Trivett, Mabel.....	1	25							4		21	Yes		1	
Phoenix ....."	1908	W. E. Denney, Grassy Creek....	2	96	6	5	2	1	4			2	104	Yes	1	1	4
Pilot Mt. ....."	1917	H. M. Winkler, Todd.....	3	53	29	3			2			1	82	Yes	1	1	1
Pleasant Hill ..."	1894	H. M. Bennett, Apple Grove....	4	52		2	2		1				55	No	1	1	
Pleasant Home .."	1870	E. A. Eller, Grassy Creek.....	4	102	13	3			4			2	112	Yes	1	1	1
Pleasant Branch "	1926	E. A. Eller, Grassy Creek.....	2	27	1	3							31	No	1	1	
Pleasant Valley ."	1926	E. A. Eller, Grassy Creek.....	1	59	9	3	6					1	76	No	1	1	
Smethport ....."	1923	Arthur Ashley, Lansing.....	4	71									71	Yes			
Tuckerdale V	1915	W. E. Denney, Grassy Creek.....	1	80	7				2			1	77	No	1	1	1
Valley Home ...C	1916	M. D. Blackburn, W. Jefferson...			3	6			2	8					2	2	
West Jefferson ..T	1916	J. O. Spencer, Grassy Creek..2 &	4	178	31	2			1				211	Yes	2	1	
Warrensville V	1871	A. C. Ashley, Warrensville.....	3	45					1		1		43	No		1	
Sabbath Home ..C		T. A. Farmer, Lansing.....	4														
		C. W. Sexton, associate pastors..			18	20							38				
		TOTALS		3218	385	102	25	8	93	20	5	23	3556				16

TABLE II. Sunday Schools of Ashe Baptist Asso. Aug. 31, 1932

CHURCHES	Village, Town or Country Church	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST OFFICES	Officers and Teachers	Total Enrollment	Average Attendance
Apple Grove	C	A. P. Howell, Whitetop, Va.	5		45
Baptist Home	C	Clyton Eastridge, Parker	6	86	55
Bald Mt	C	Walter Houck, W. Jefferson	6	76	50
Beaver Creek	C	C. F. Goodman, W. Jefferson	6	73	54
Bethel	C	T. H. Brown, Oval	9	96	46
Big Flatts	C	N. V. Walker, Fleetwood	14	120	45
Big Laurel	C				
Bristol	C				
Buffalo	C	D. S. Harless, Smethport	9	129	74
Chestnut Hill	C	W. H. McMillan, Crumpler	6	91	40
Clifton	C				
Friendship	C	David Burkett, Jefferson	6	121	60
Glendale	C				
Grassy Creek	C	S. P. Hale, Grassy Creek	7	65	37
Healing Spr	C	J. F. Phipps, Jefferson	5	130	72
Jefferson	T				
Landmark	C	J. A. Barker, Grassy Creek	8	125	100
Laurel Knob	C	G. S. Holman, Todd	6	61	35
Liberty Grove	C	C. E. Howell, Todd	8	104	57
Liberty Hill	C	J. H. Wagoner, Nathans Crk.	5	76	62
Little Helton	C	Chas. Hurley, Grassy Creek	5	60	49
Long Branch	C	M. A. Gilley, Lansing	5	61	
Mission Home	C	J. C. Greene, Fleetwood	9	51	40
Meadow View	C	Not Represented			
Mt. View	C	Eli Phipps, Eldreth	5	47	47
New River	C		6	75	47
Oak Hill	C	Glee Owens, Bina	6	41	35
Old Fields	C	J. E. Cheek, Idlewild	9	70	42
Obids	C	F. C. Dillord, Obids	6	50	24
Orion	C	Mack Dilliard, W. Jefferson	6	51	50
Peak Valley	C	Joe Tyre, Creston	6	68	
Phoenix	C	F. L. Waddell, Bina	8	81	35
Pilot Mt	C	Glenn Miller, Laxon	7	142	68
Pleasant Hill	C	Preston Wyatt, Whitetop Va.			38
Pleasant Home	C	R. J. Sturgill, Grassy Creek	7	63	32
Pleas't Branch	C	T. F. Halsey and Eugene Waddell, Grassy Creek	6	56	40
Pleas't Valley	C	Bryan Oliver, Grassy Creek	6	48	30
Sabbath Home	C	M. A. Gilley, Lansing	5	67	42
Smethport	C	P. S. Bumgarner, Smethport	8	125	105
Tuckerdale	V	Jessie R. Davis, Lansing	6	82	35
Valley Home	C	Finley Miller	6	79	
W. Jefferson	T	J. C. Goodman, W. Jefferson	8	163	110
Warrensville	V	J. H. Ashley, Warrensville	6	48	48
TOTALS			242	2672	1729

TABLE IV: GIFTS FOR LOCAL CHURCH WORK OF ASHE BAPTIST ASSO.

CHURCHES	REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES	Pastor's Salary	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	Literature for Sunday School and B.Y.P.U. and W.M.S.	For Printing the Minutes and Clerk Other Objects	Total Given by Church	Total Given by the Sunday School	Grand Total for Local Purposes Given by Church and All Its Organizations
Apple Grove	Victor Tucker, Husk	50.00		81.			1.00	135.16		135.16
Baptist Home	Leona Esteridge, Parker	28.11					1.35			28.11
Bald Mt.	Walter Houck, West Jefferson	61.35	12.50	40.60		10.11		113.85	10.11	123.96
Beaver Creek	Hayden Goodman, W. Jefferson	35.00				5.74	1.14			40.74
Bethel	T. H. Brown, Oval	82.62	42.00		8.00	10.17	2.00			188.29
Big Flatts	P. H. Haire, Fleetwood	58.98	13.15		8.44	14.54	1.25	84.11		132.36
Big Laurel	Mattie Rupard, Hemlock									
Bristol	Mamie Wallace, Jefferson	35.00					1.35			36.35
Buffalo	Myrtle Harless, Smethport	44.30	22.00	1.75	3.60		2.00	73.65	47.71	121.36
Chestnut Hill	W. H. McMillan, Crumpler	32.00	15.00	30.00		8.00	1.00	87.50		87.50
Clifton	W. T. Miller, Clifton	43.75			8.00	12.00	1.50	63.75		63.75
Friendship	T. K. Luther, Jefferson	50.00	31.76			12.56	3.10	88.26	12.56	100.82
Healing Springs	G. R. Ham, Crumpler	56.00	20.00		10.00		4.00	90.00	18.00	108.00
Glendale	Gord Severt, Wagoner	15.80	15.87					31.67		31.67
Grassy Creek	Mrs. F. C. Nye, Grassy Creek	84.49	37.50		7.25		3.00	136.24		136.24
Jefferson	Ira T. Johnson, Jefferson	69.85								69.85
Landmark	T. A. Jones, Grassy Creek	30.25			10.00		5.00	96.40		96.40
Laurel Knob	Lawson Edwards, Todd	75.15			2.00	8.61	1.00	78.65	8.61	87.26
Liberty Grove	C. E. Howell, Todd	104.34	19.27	4.00	12.50	19.20	1.00	173.80	2.00	175.80
Liberty Hill	J. H. Wagoner, Nathans Creek	41.75	4.00			5.24		52.49		52.49
Little Helton	Chas. Hurley, Grassy Creek	50.00	30.00			4.95	3.00	84.95		84.95
Long Branch	Carl Sexton, Edison						2.00			
Mission Home	J. H. Gentry, West Jefferson	49.47	32.22			5.00	.50	87.19		87.19
Mt. View	Ethel Wyatt, Eldreth	21.00	20.00	75.00			1.20	117.20		117.20
Meadow View	Not Represented									
New River	W. D. Brown, Weaversford	86.90	17.77		4.00	10.66	2.65	111.32	10.66	121.98
Oak Hill	J. A. Campbell, Jefferson	40.00					2.00			42.00
Old Field	Mrs. Cora Cheek, Idlewild	106.35	33.31				1.55	205.59	18.70	224.49
Obids	H. M. Brown, Obids	21.65	10.00			4.80	1.50			38.00
Orion	W. J. Bare, Jefferson	26.25	18.54			6.00	2.00	52.79		52.79
	Elliott, Creston						.50			

PROGRAM ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

TO BE HELD WITH OLD FIELDS BAPTIST CHURCH

Friday, Saturday and Sunday, August 25, 26, 27, 1933.

Rev. W. E. Denney, Moderator, Grassy Creek, N. C.

Bryan Oliver, Clerk, Grassy Creek, N. C.

FRIDAY MORNING, AUGUST 25

10:00 Introductory Sermon.....Rev. C. W. Sexton.
10:30 Election of Officers.
10:45 Reception of Churches and Visitors.
11:00 Appointment of Committees.
11:45 Co-operative Program.
(a) Report on State Missions.
(b) Aeport on Home Missions.
(c) Report on Foreign Missions.
(d) Report on Every Member Canvass.
12:30 Adjournment for lunch—Everybody bring baskets.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, AUGUST 25

1:30 Report on Christian Education.
2:00 Report on Biblical Recorder.
2:30 Sermon.....Rev. H. M. Winkler.
3:00 Miscellaneous.
3:15 Announcement of Homes for Messengers and Visitors.

FRIDAY NIGHT, AUGUST 25

7:30 Pastors' Conference on Evangelism.
Led by.....Rev. W. E. Denney.

SATURDAY MORNING, AUGUST 26

9:30 Devotional.....Rev. R. M. Burkett.
9:30 Report on Baptist Hospital.
10:00 Report on Temperance.
10:30 Report on Orphanage.
11:00 Report on Pastors' Salaries.
11:30 Sermon.....Rev. J. O. Spencer.
12:15 Adjournment for lunch—Everybody bring baskets.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON, AUGUST 26

1:30 Report on Old Ministers' Relief.
2:00 Report of Finance Committee.
2:15 Report of Committee on Digest of Church Letters.
2:30 Report on B. Y. P. U.

SATURDAY NIGHT, AUGUST 26

7:30 Pastors' Conference on Enlistment.....Rev. G. L. Trivett.
8:00 Sermon.....Rev. G. L. Trivett.

SUNDAY MORNING, AUGUST 27

9:00 Devotional.....Rev. W. F. Barker.
10:00 Report on Sunday Schools.
10:45 Report on Place for next Meeting.
10:50 Report of Committee on Resolutions.
11:15 Report on W. M. U.
11:30 Sermon.....Rev. W. E. Moretz.
12:30 Adjournment.—Ex. Committee.

TABLE III. Church Property of Ashe Baptist Asso. Aug. 31, 1932

CHURCHES, CHURCH CLERKS AND THEIR POSTOFFICES	When was Church Built?	Persons Seated	No. of Rooms	Value of Church House and Grounds
Apple Grove, H. A. Miller, Whitetop, Va...	1899	150	1	$ 750.00
Baptist Home, W. R. Brown, Parker.....	1890	300	1	500.00
†Bald Mt., Clark Houck, West Jefferson....	1910	300	1	1300.00
Beaver Creek, Hyden Goodman, W. Jefferson		400	1	600.00
Bethel, J. H. Brown, Oval.....	1922	300	1	3000.00
Big Flatts, Minnie Payne, Fleetwood.....				1200.00
Big Laurel, Mattie Rupard, Hemlock.....	1904	250	1	1000.00
Bristol, Mamie Wallace, Jefferson.....	1928	150	1	800.00
Buffalo, Myrtle Harless, Smethport.....	1869	250	1	700.00
Chestnut Hill, W. H. McMillan, Crumpler....	1931	300	1	1500.00
Clifton, W. T. Miller, Clifton.....	1903	250	1	1000.00
Friendship, Foster Brown, Jefferson.....	1909	400	1	1600.00
Healing Springs, G. R. Ham, Crumpler.....		300	3	3100.00
Glendale, Gordon Severt, Crumpler.....		200	1	1500.00
Grassy Creek, Mrs. F. C. Nye, Grassy Creek..	1927	300	1	3000.00
Jefferson, Ira T. Johnson, Jefferson.....	1888	250	1	1000.00
Land Mark, T. A. Jones, Grassy Creek.....	1909	300	1	3000.00
Laurel Knob, G. S. Holman, Todd.....	1912	300	1	500.00
*Liberty Grove, J. P. Howell, Todd	1916	300	1	1600.00
Liberty Hill, J. H. Wagoner, Nathans Creek..	1910	300	1	400.00
Little Helton, Chas. Hurley, Grassy Creek..	1928	200	1	2000.00
Long Branch, Ray Welch, Lansing.....	1920	300	1	1520.00
*Mission Home, J. H. Gentry, Fleetwood....	1900	300	1	1600.00
Mt. View, Ethel Wyatt, Eldreth.....	1923	200	1	300.00
Meadow View, not represented.....				
New River, W. D. Brown, Weaversford.....		400	1	1500.00
Oak Hill, J. A. Campbell, Jefferson.....	1927		1	1500.00
Old Fields, E. F. Phillips, Idlewild.....	1926	400	1	4000.00
Obids, H. M. Brown, Obids.....	1902	400	1	2000.00
Orion, J. F. Dillard, Jefferson.....	1911	300	1	2000.00
Peak Valley, Mrs. Queenie Elliott, Creston..	1902	400	1	500.00
†*Phoenix, Mrs. F. L. Waddell, Bina.....	1913	300	2	2500.00
Pilot Mt., Glenn Miller, Laxon.....		200	1	500.00
Pleasant Hill, A. D. Farmer, Whitetop, Va..		300	1	800.00
Pleasant Home, Grant Eller, Grassy Creek..	1898	200	1	2000.00
Pleasant Branch, Violet Reedy, Grassy Crk..			1	
Pleasant Valley, Blaine Phipps, Grassy Crk..	1926	150	1	600.00
Sabbath Home, Mrs. C. L. Goss.....	1932	250	1	800.00
Smethport, Earnest Bumgarner, Smethport..	1920	300	1	1500.00
Tuckerdale, J. A. Darnell, Tuckerdale.....	1917	400	1	1500.00
Valley Home, D. R. Jones, Todd.....	1917		1	
†**W. Jefferson, D. C. Severt, W. Jefferson..	1929	700	8	15000.00
Warrensville, J. H. Ashley, Warrensville...	1929	500	1	1200.00
TOTAL.....				$67270.00

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TABLE V. Gifts for Missions, Education and All Benevolences

CHURCHES	To Co-operative Program	Special to StateMissions	Special to Orphanage	Special Hospitals	Total for All Missions	Total Given by W. M. U.	Total Given by the S. S.	Grand Total
Apple Grove..			2.50	2.50	5.00			140.16
Baptist Home								28.11
Bald Mt.....	16.00							139.96
Beaver Creek.					1.17			40.91
Bethel	6.50		35.00	2.50	44.00			232.29
Big Flatts ..	10.50		29.50	3.75	47.75	65.79		235.09
Big Laurel ..								
Bristol			13.57		13.57			49.92
Buffalo	11.75		45.25		57.00		24.70	203.06
Chestnut Hill.								
Clifton		5.00						68.75
Friendship ..			39.00		51.00		5.80	157.62
Healing Sprs.								108.00
Glendale								31.67
Grassy Creek.	27.30		10.32		47.94			184.18
Jefferson	20.00				25.00			94.85
Land Mark ..	4.40		62.00		66.40			162.80
Laurel Knob .	13.10		1.35		14.45			101.71
Liberty Grove	5.00		10.89	2.08	17.97			193.77
Liberty Hill..								52.49
Little Helton.			3.55	4.32	7.87			92.82
Long Branch.								
Mission Home		5.31	33.65		38.96		5.75	131.90
Mt. View.....								117.20
Meadow View								
New River...	2.33		44.89		67.22		6.43	196.63
Oak Hill.....								42.00
Old Fields....			2.40			2.40		226.89
Obids						2.40		226.89
Orion					8.67			61.46
Peak Valley..								
Phoenix	40.00	10.00	69.85					313.54
Pilot Mt.....								121.74
Pleasant Hill.			22.20		22.20			57.05
Pleas't Home.			5.52		5.52			54.56
Pleas't Branch								31.01
Pleas't Valley								72.62
Smethport ...								12.00
Sabbath Home								21.19
Tuckerdale ..			3.00	3.50	6.50			131.75
Valley Home.								64.50
West Jefferson	9.71		15.31	3.70	28.72	12.72	32.95	1115.50
Warrensville .			40.00	2.50	4.50			129.50
Totals ...	166.59	20.31	497.40	24.84	752.64	80.91	75.63	$5380.64

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TABLE VI. B.Y.P.U.'s of Ashe Baptist Association. Aug. 31, 1932

CHURCHES	Senior Unions	Intermediate Unions	Junior Unions	Total Unions	Seniors Enrolled	Juniors Enrolled	Total Enrolled	Number Taking	B.Y.P.U. Study Course	Total Number Daily Bible Readers	Total Systematic Givers
Big Flatts.....											
Bald Mt.....	1			1	29				1	14	4
Liberty Grove	1			1	24						
Phoenix	1		1	2	20		18	38			
West Jefferson.....	1	1	1	3	29	23	22	74	35	24	35
TOTALS	4	1	2	7	102	23	40	112	36	38	39

TABLE VII. Woman's Work of Ashe Baptist Asso. Aug. 31, 1932

CHURCHES	Number of Woman's Missionary Societies	Number of Y.W.A.'s	Number of G.A.'s	Number of R.A.'s	Number of Sunbeams	Total W.M.U. Organiz.	W.M.S. Members	Y.W.A.'s Members	G.A.'s Members	R.A. Members	Sunbeam Members	Total Members Enroll'd Total Enrolled in Mission Study Courses	
Big Flatts....	1		1			2	8		10			18	
Bald Mt.....				1						15		15	
Liberty Grove.													
Phoenix	1						17						
West Jefferson	1	1	1	1	1	5	17	12	10	22	18	79	35
TOTALS..	3	1	2	2	1	7	42	12	20	37	18	112	35

TABLE III FOOTNOTES—CONTINUED FROM PAGE 29

All above named churches own their house of worship.
†Church has three separate class rooms.
*Church has six separate class rooms.
†*Church has four separate class rooms.
†**Church has eight separate class rooms and is made of brick. All other above named churches are made of wood.

W. M. U. REPORT

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definitely enlist in the work of His Kingdom; 1. to study His Word; 2. to study His fields of service and his workers; 3. to pray definitely, regularly and intelligently for His cause; 4. to set up a better program of Christian living in your own community through personal service; and 5. to give regularly, proportionately and systematically to missions, the cause for which Christ gave all. Do you not want to answer His call and help the other women and young people of your church, to so hear His voice and know the great joy of a completer service, yea a completer life in Christ Jesus?

The Woman's Missionary Union presents the plan and helps to carry it out.

How I pray that as you read this your heart may yearn for this help in your church, if you do not already have it, or that you will write or see Minnie Haire, Fleetwood, N. C., your associational superintendent and that we may pray and work together in the greatest cause in the world, the carrying on today of Christ's Great Program.

—MISS MINNIE HAIRE.

TABLE V FOOTNOTES—CONTINUED FROM PAGE THIRTY

Special to Home Missions, Beaver Creek 58c.
Special to Foreign Missions, Beaver Creek 59c.
Other Special Gifts, Big Flatts $4.00; Friendship, $12.00; New River, $10.00; Total $26.00.

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OF THE

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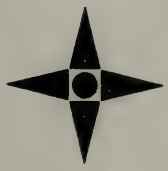

HELD WITH

OLD FIELDS BAPTIST CHURCH

AUGUST 25, 26, 27, 1933

IDLEWILD, N. C.

REV. W. E. DENNY - - - - - Moderator

BRYAN OLIVER - - Clerk and Treasurer

The Next Session Will Be Held with Beaver Creek Baptist Church Beaver Creek, N. C., Aug. 30, 31 and Sept. 1, 1934

Introductory Sermon, Rev. T. A. Farmer

Alternate, Rev. L. W. Blevins

CONSTITUTION

Article 1. This body shall be called the Ashe Association.

Objects

Article 2. The object of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the gospel in our bounds, and in all the world, and in this work the Association will co-operate with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

Membership

Article 3. The members of this body shall be all the ordained ministers of the churches of this Association, and three delegates from each church, who shall bring a letter certifying their appointment and giving statistics of the membership and work of the church.

Organization

Article 4. At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer in such a way as the Association may direct. The last two offices may be held by the same brother.

Duties of Officers

Article 5. The Moderator shall preside at all meetings, preserve order, appoint committees, and perform such duties as are required of presiding officers.

Article 6. The Clerk shall keep a correct record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing and distribution to the churches, the proceedings of the body.

Article 7. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent to the Association, to pay them out as the Association may direct, and make a report at each annual session.

Time and Place

Article 8. The Association shall hold an annual meeting at such time and place as may be agreed upon.

Appointments

Article 9. At each annual meeting there shall be appointed an executive committee of five brethren who shall look after the destitution in the bounds of this Association, and co-operate with the State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention, making to the next session a report of the work done and all the general State Mission work.

Article 10. Association shall convene annually on the last Friday in August. At each annual session there shall be appointed committees to make reports to the ensuing session, on the following subjects, to-wit: State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Pastoral Support, Ministerial Education, Baptist Orphanage, Biblical Recorder, Temperance, Digest of Church Letters, Finance, Place and Preacher for next Association, and Baptist Hospital.

Order of Religious Exercises

Article 11. Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

Article 12. In addition to the introductory sermon, the committee on religious exercises shall arrange at least one other

sermon each day the Association is in session and all business shall be suspended while the sermon is being delivered; but no sermon shall be scheduled while the Association is engaged in a business session.

Prerogatives

Article 13. The Association will not retain in permanent fellowship and church that retains in its fellowship any member who is disorderly in doctrine or practice, or who makes, sells, or in any way deals in ardent spirits as a beverage.

Constitution—How Amended

Article 14. This Constitution may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual session.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES

1st. We believe in one true and living God, and that there are three persons in the God-head, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, and that these three are one.

2nd. We believe that the Bible, the New Testament, is the Word of God and the only rule of faith and practice.

3rd. We believe in the impotency of man and the soverignty of God.

4th. We believe that salvation is by Grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5th. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ to be practiced only by believers in their spiritual order.

6th. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator, and that those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and doctrine. should take the Lord's Supper.

7th. We believe in the final perseverance of the saints in grace to glory.

8th. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment.

9th. We believe that the existence of the righteous and the wicked will both be of eternal duration, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

RULES OF ORDER

1. Every session shall be opened and closed by prayer.
2. When the Moderator calls the house to order, every member shall at once take his seat.
3. When a member wishes to speak he shall rise and address the Moderator, and not proceed till he is recognized.
4. No member shall speak more than twice on any subject except by permission of the body.
5. No member shall leave the body during the session without permission of the Moderator.
6. It shall be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold private conversation while any person is speaking.

Forty-Seventh Annual Session

Of The

ASHE MISSIONARY

BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

North Carolina

1886::1933

Held With Old Fields Baptist Church, Idlewild, N. C.

August 25, 26, 27, 1933

Directory of Association Officers

Rev. W. E. Denney, Moderator.....Grassy Creek, N. C.
H. A. Eller, vice-president.....Bina, N. C.
W. Bryan Oliver, Clerk and Treasurer.....Grassy Creek, N. C.

Executive Committee and Board of Missions

Ira T. Johnston, Chairman.....Jefferson, N. C.
W. D. Brown.....Weaver's Ford, N. C.
W. T. Harless.....West Jefferson, N. C.
J. C. Goodman.....West Jefferson, N. C.
J. W. Gambill.....West Jefferson, N. C.

Standing Committees, 1934

State Missions, Rev. P. E. Downs.....West Jefferson, N. C.
Home Missions, Prof. T. E. Belcher.....Lansing, N. C.
Foreign Missions, Ira T. Johnstin.....Jefferson, N. C.
Sunday Schools, Rev. T. A. Farmer.....Lansing, N. C.
Biblical Recorder, Prof. J. O. Goodman.....Beaver Creek, N. C.
Hospitals, Rev. W. F. Barker.....Grassy Creek, N. C.
Orphanage, Prof. J. F. Phipps.....Crumpler, N. C.
Christian Education, Rev. L. W. Blevins.....Grassy Creek, N. C.
Pastorial Support, Rev. C. M. Cope.....Crumpler, N. C.
Temperance, Rev. H. M. Winkler.....Todd, N. C.
Old Ministers' Relief, H. A. Eller.....Bina, N. C.
Obituaries, C. G. Denney.....Grassy Creek, N. C.
B. Y. P. U., D. C. Severt.....West Jefferson, N. C.
W. M. U., Miss Minnie Haire.....Fleetwood, N. C.
Digest of Church Letters, A. Dell Goodman, Nettle Knob, N. C.
J. F. Phipps, G. R. Duvall.....Crumpler, N. C.

Ordained Ministers in the Association

Ashely, Arthur.....Warrensville, N. C.
Barker, W. F.....Grassy Creek, N. C.
Belcher, T. E.....Lansing, N. C.
Bennett, H. M.....Apple Grove, N. C.
Blackburn, M. D.....Beaver Creek, N C.
Blackburn, W. R.....Bina, N. C.
Blevins, Casper.....Apple Grove, N. C.
Blevins, J. C.....Grassy Creek, N. C.
Blevins, J. J.....Grassy Creek, N. C.
Blevins, L. W.....Grassy Creek, N. C.
Blevins, E.....Grassy Creek, N. C.
Burkett, G. C.....Jefferson, N. C.
Burkett, R. M.....Jefferson, N. C.
Burkett, R. M.....Jefferson, N. C.
Caudell, R. E.....West Jefferson, N. C.
Cockerham, T. J.....Nathans Creek, N. C.
Childers, Joseph.....Grassy Creek, N. C.
Coffey, H. L.....Troutdale, Va.
Cope, C. M.....Crumpler, N. C.
Denney, G. L.....Grassy Creek, N. C.
Denney, W. E.....Grassy Creek, N. C.
Denney, Jessie.....Apple Grove, N. C.
Dolinger, R. L.....Sturgills, N. C.
Eller, E. A.....Grassy Creek, N. C.
Farmer, T. A.....Lansing, N. C.
Fields, William.....Thaxton, N. C.
Goodman, C. F.....West Jefferson, N. C.
Gaultney, H. H.....Grassy Creek, N. C.
Haire, P. H.....Fleetwood, N. C.
Hamby, J. M.....W. Va.
Hayes, T. M.....Nathans Creek, N. C.
Howell, J. G.....Jefferson, N. C.
Hurley, W. L.....Crumpler, N. C.
Keller, L. N.....Garren, N. C.
Miller, A. F.....White Top, Va.
Neaves, J. M.....Crumpler, N. C.
Phillips, Eli.....Apple Grove, N. C.
Parsons, C. C.....Grassy Creek, N. C.
Sexton, C. W.....Edison, N. C.
Sexton, E. Z.....Edison, N. C.
Spencer, J. O.....Grassy Creek, N. C.
Sturgill, R. J.....Sturgills, N. C.
Stanley, Frank.....Hemlock, N. C.
Trivett, J. S.....Fleetwood, N. C.
Trivett, G. L.....Beaver Creek, N. C.
Wilcox, Joseph.....Summit, N. C.
Winkler, H. M.....Todd, N. C.
Wyatt, Granville.....White Top, Va.
Wyatt, Preston.....White Top, Va.

List of Messengers in the 1933 Session

Apple Grove—Victor Tucker, H. A. Miller, W. R. Miller.

Bald Mountain—Rexford Campbell, John Goodman.

Beaver Creek—Spencer Goodman, Mattie Goodman, A. W. Pennington.

Bethel—R. G. Phillips, Bob Watson, A. D. Goodman.

Big Flatts—Frank Houck, Floyd Parsons, R. C. Parsons.

Big Laurel—Earl Roten, Ambrose Roten, Mattie Rupord.

Bristol—Thomas Johnson, Vance Johnson.

Buffalo—Wiley Harless, Charles Hodge, B. S. Harless.

Chestnut Hill—W. H. McMillan, Mrs. Nora McMillan, Rev. C. M. Cope.

Friendship—Troy Shatley, Bertie Dixon.

Glendale Springs—Lonzo Loman, Jesse Bare, Gord Miller.

Grassy Creek—H. P. Haynes, A. Blackburn, R. W. Blackburn.

Healing Springs—G. R. Ham, J. F. Phipps, Willie Brown, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Baker.

Jefferson—Ira T. Johnston.

Landmark, Virgil Brooks, Coy Barker.

Laurel Knob—Swanson Edwards, Russel Goodman, Ida Wilcox.

Liberty Grove—Clives Howell, Mrs. Clives Howell, C. E. Howell.

Liberty Hill—Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Jones, H. L. Goodman, J. H. Wagoner.

Long Branch—Z. R. Barr, Monroe Welch, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Welch.

Little Helton—N. L. Cooper.

Mission Home—J. F. Blackburn, Lester Serber, J. H. Gentry.

Mountain View—Dave Calhoun, Roy Calhoun, John Coldiron.

New River—J. A. Garvey, Lawrence Grace, W. D. Brown.

Oak Hill—Dale Barker, Jackson Barker, G. W. Blevins.

Obids—D. H. Burgess, C. L. Marsh, Elvira Marsh.

Old Fields—J. E. Cheek, W. M. Blackburn, R. E. Phillips.

Orion—W. H. Dillard, W. H. Miller, Clyde Bare.

Peak Valley—Mr. and Mrs. Tom Monday, Mrs. O. S. Elliot.

Phoenix—Connie McNeill, James Eller, H. A. Eller, Beulah Eller.

Pilot Mountain—W. L. Byland, W. G. Miller, Ethel Phillips.

Pleasant Branch—Represented by letter.

Pleasant Home—Edd Deboard, C. N. Deboard.

Pleasant Valley—E. A. Eller.

Sabbath Home—John Goss, Mrs. C. L. Goss, Mrs. Beulah Goss, Mrs. Clarence Stansberry, Mrs. John Goss.

Smethport—P. S. Bumgarner, Richard Bumgarner.

Sturgills—Charlie Sisemore, Isom Sturgill, Vada Sturgill.

Tuckerdale—W. H. Darnell, Glenn C. Jones, Lee Darnell.

Valley Home—Roby Stephens, J. Tolliver, Tracy Blackburn.

Warrensville—W. P. Shoaf, Arthur Childers, Gene Ashley, Thelma Ashley.

West Jefferson—J. C. Goodman, H. R. Vannoy, J. N. Tulbert.

Proceedings of the 47th annual session held with Old Fields Missionary Baptist Church, Idlewild, N. C., August 25-26-27, 1933.

FRIDAY MORNING

1. Introductory sermon by Rev. C. W. Sexton. Text: John 19: 31-27.

2. Election of officers by acclamation: Rev. W. E. Denney elected moderator, W. Bryan Oliver elected clerk and treasurer.

3. Roll call of churches for letters.

4. Reception of new churches: Sturgills church received into the fellowship of the association.

5. Reception of visitors: Rev. C. L. Stike, New River Association of Virginia, J. W. Rash, South Yadkin Association, were seated with the body.

6. Appointment of committees: Finance: Rev. H. M. Winkler, G. R. Hamm, W. A. Blackburn. To nominate executive committee: W. T. Harless, W. D. Brown, J. F. Phipps. Religious exercises: Pastor and delegates of Old Fields Church. Resolutions: J. C. Goodman, Ira T. Johnston, W. F. Barker. Place and Preacher: Delegates from Beaver Creek, Friendship, Healing Springs, Valley Home and New River Churches, with H. A. Eller as chairman.

7. Roll call of standing committees: Dennis Lewis appointed to write report of B. Y. P. U.

8. Report on cooperative program deferred until afternoon.

9. Ira T. Johnston brought up under unanimous consent a matter regarding a plan to print Rev. J. F. Fletcher's "History of the Baptist in Ashe and Grayson counties."

10. Moved that Mr. Johnston's review of the history be incorporated in the minutes.

11. Moved that a committee be appointed to investigate the cost of printing Rev. Fletcher's History, and see if some plan can be formulated to aid in publishing the same; Committee appointed: Ira T. Johnston, Chairman, J. C. Goodman, H. A. Eller, W. B. Oliver, W. E. Denny, Minnie Haire, H. M. Winkler.

12. Report on Christian Education discussed by Rev. J. O. Spencer, Ira T. Johnston, Rev. L. W. Blevins, J. C. Goodman, Rev. W. F. Barker Rev. P. H. Haire Miss Minnie Haire, and adopted.

13. Adjournment for lunch; prayer by Rev. H. M. Winkler.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

1. Singing led by J. E. Cheek; prayer by Rev. T. A. Farmer.

2. Reports on State, Home, and Foreign Missions read, discussed by M. A. Huggins, Baptist State Treasurer, and adopted.

3. Sermon by Rev. H. M. Winkler. Text: Matthew 17:8; theme, "The New Testament Church."

4. Homes for messengers assigned.

5. Adjournment. Prayer by Rev. P. E. Downs.

FRIDAY NIGHT

1. Sermon by Rev. W. D. Harrington; theme, "Christ's Plan for Evangelizing the World." Text, Matthew 28; 19-20.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

1. Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. G. C. Burkett, James 1. Prayer by Rev. C. W. Sexton.

2. Report on Biblical Recorder discussed by Ira T. Johnston and Rev. B. K. Mason, and adopted.

3. Report on Baptist Hospitals read. An address by Supt. G. T. Lumpkin, of the Baptist Hospital at Winston-Salem. Report was further discussed by Rev. Arthur Ashley, Rev. T. A. Farmer, and adopted.

4. Sermon by Rev. J. O. Spencer; theme: "Need for a Revival."

5. Adjournment for lunch.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

1. Singing by old Fields Choir led by J. E. Cheek: prayer by Rev. P. E. Downs.

2. Report on Temperance discussed by Rev. C. A. Upchurch and Rev. T. A. Farmer, and adopted.

3. Report on Orphanage followed by an address on the orphanage by R. D. Covington, treasurer of Mills Home, Thomasville, N. C.

SATURDAY NIGHT

1. Sermon by W. D. Harrington; theme: "The Doom of Nations," Daniel 3rd chapter.

SUNDAY MORNING SESSION

1. Devotional conducted by Rev. W. F. Barker, prayer by Rev. C. M. Cope.

2. Minutes of Friday and Saturday adopted.

3. Adopted report of finance committee.

4. Adopted report on Old Ministers' Relief.

5. Moved that committee on Digest of Church Letters be allowed to print report as found after completing the work.

6. Adopted report on Place and Preacher.

7. Adopted report of committee to nominate an executive committee.

8. Appointed committee to investigate matter of disposing of Meadowview church. Committee; A.

Dell Goodman, J. C. Goodman, G. S. Holman.

9. Appointed Rev. T. A. Farmer to look after canning fruit for Baptist Hospital.

10. Report on Pastor's Salaries discussed by A. Dell Goodman and Rev. C. W. Sexton, and adopted.

11. Reports on Sunday Schools and B. Y. P. U. discussed by Rev. P. E. Downs and D. C. Severt and adopted.

12. Report on W. M. U. discussed by Miss Minnie Haire and adopted.

13. Moved that other meetings ad conventions be required to pay for printing their work in the minutes.

14. Sermon by Rev. P. E. Downs; theme, "Glory in the Cross of Christ."

15. Adjourned until next annual session. Prayer by Rev. C. W. Sexton.

REVIEW OF J. F. FLETCHER'S "A HISTORY OF ASHE COUNTY (N. C.) AND NEW RIVER (VA.) BAPTIST ASSOCIATIONS

BY IRA T. JOHNSTON

Rev. J. F. Fletcher, who has labored as a Minister and Missionary in the Baptist churches of Ashe county, North Carolina, and Grayson county, Virginia, for more than half a century, has written a history recounting the origin and development of the Baptist Associations in this section which should some day find its way into every Baptist home and library in Northwest North Carolina and Southwest Virginia. This history, based upon personal recollection, painstaking investigation, and persistent recurrence to the orginial sources of information, contains a wealth of material sources of information, contains a wealth of material not available anywhere else. Should it not be published and preserved, there will be lost in the mists of the receding years the brilliance of a glorious past out of which has sprung the denominational development of the most numerous religious sect in this section.

Across the pages of this manuscript march Baptist pioneers and heroes, such as George McNeill, Drury Senter, Enoch Reeves, Aaron Johnston, Richard Gentry, Richard Jacks, James Eller, J. J. L. Sherwood, T. M. Duncan, Elihu Tucker, P. H. Haire, and a host of others. In stirring phrases, there is presented a panoramic glimpse of their toils and labors which have led over winding trails to the present position occupied by our great denomination in these mountains.

I consider that interest in this history should not be confined to Baptists. Leaders of other denominations can learn from its pages much about the early religious history of this section; and even secular readers will be thrilled by its moving picture of a great people on their highway of destiny. Momentous events in the life of Ashe, Alleghany, Wilkes, and Grayson counties are interwoven in the thrillng narrative of a church grappling with its problems, often divided by moral or political issues such as temperance and slavery, split by the sword of fratricidal strife and by hones and deep-seated differences over methods and missions.

Primitive Baptists, Union Baptists, Missionary Baptists will alike find an unbiased story of the soil in which they took root, written by a great Missionary with a mind unclouded by prejudice, a vivid memory of men and events, and a deep love for God and his fellowmen and the locality which gave him birth and to whom he has devoted his life.

I hope the work may be published while he lives and that a keen interest in it on the part of those with whom and among whom he has labored so faithfully through the years may shed some rays of brightness at the even-tide. He modestly says, "I believe it will be helpful. I have had access to records that few have seen and have been privileged to labor for well over fifty years, shoulder to shoulder with the men and women who have made Baptist history in these mountain counties...I have done the best I could...For this history I claim no great literary merit but I believe it to be accurate. I know that I have garnered from hundreds of obscure sources, all unknown to the average historian, many fragments of history that might have been lost but for my humble efforts and if the completed story, as it is set down here, proves interesting to those who love the Baptist cause and helpful to students and historians of the fuure, my labor will not have been in vain."

I want to express the hope that our people will see to it that this history is published. Naturally the Author can not afford the financial venture of under-writing the cost of publication. Can we not formulate some plan to insure the publishing and preserving of this truly monumental labor of love?

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The Great Commission to the Disciples was to go into all parts of the world an teach all men to observe the things which they had learned from the lips of the Master.

This command has lost nothing of its challenge through the centuries and the time has come when our beloved denomination should worthily assume its world task as a teaching denomination. Let us remember that the very foundation stone of Christian Education is laid in the home, and we cannot begin too early to instruct our children by word and deed in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

To the churches falls the task of teaching its members that the home should be surrounded with a real abiding influence. From homes where family prayer is a daily custom come some of our finest young people, with the desire already planted in their hearts for a well-rounded Christian Education.

Baptists have invested large sums of money in schools throughout the Southland, and our denominational colleges rank the highest. These denominationl schools, under consecrated Christian leadership, are teaching the students the necessity for real Christian Ideals and the faith so needed to carry them through the changing conditions as we find them today. Without religion and right-thinking our civilization is doomed.

Respectfully submitted,

J. O. SPENCER.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

The fact that about half of all church members in North Carolina are members of Baptist churches is due in large measure to the fact that for one hundred years the Baptist State Convention has pursued an aggressive State Mission Program. During all the years Baptists have used the agency of State Missions to preach the Gospel to the poor. And in the course of the years this policy has produced rich dividends which can be counted, to say nothing of those spiritual values which have been created and which it is impossible to measure. The poor do not always remain poor, and last year a church in North Carolina which at one time was aided by the State Mission Board gave as much to the support of all objects, State, South-wide, and world wide as was given by twenty-five entire associations for the same objects.

It has ever been the policy of the Board to aid not only struggling churches but also those churches in strategic centers where the local congregation is unable for a time to provide the type of ministerial service which is needed. This policy should be continued. However, due to a scarcity of funds during the past year, only about one-third as many churches have received aid as was the case three or four years ago.

For many years now State Missions, through the Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Departments, has stimulated the growth of Sunday schools and the improvement of the teaching staff. During a recent week there were about 5,000 people in eighty-five churches engaged in study, the purpose of which was to produce better and greater Sunday schools. And when the story of the growth of young people's work shall be written it will read like a romance.

In recent years the Board, through its Building Evangelist, has planned and helped in the erection of scores of church houses in about every section of North Carolina, and these will remain visible monuments of a wise policy. This work is being discontinued as of October 1 of the present year. There appears hardly any need to state the reason for its discontinuance. Likewise it has been necessary to discontinue the work of stimulating cooperative and wise leadership among about a quarter of a million Negro Baptists in the state. The Board is still helping to provide guidance for the Indians who are left among us; and at Oteen the Board has some little part in providing spiritual comfort and counsel to the sick there.

Let us remember that State Mission Day in our Sunday schools and churches is set for the last Sunday in October. Let us on that day make agreat free-will offering from State Missions.

Respectfully submitted,
REV. LESTER W. BLEVINS.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS FOR THE ASHE ASSOCIATION

The purpose of the Home Mission Board is to evangelize the homeland for world conquest for Christ. Home Missions are an essential part of our world program for Christ. A saved homeland holds the key to the world's salvation.

This Board is giving the gospel to the foreign speaking people, the negroes, the Indians, the Jews, the deaf mutes, the sailors of the Southland. Cuba, Panama and several West India Stations are included in this work.

Among the foreign speaking people we had last year 38 workers with 2668 conversions.

Our work among the Indians was never more encouraging than at this time. We had 21 workers with the Indians with 396 conversions. There are eight workers among the negroes. These men are giving aid and counsel to the negroes in study classes, lectures, and the distribution of literature. The negroes have ministers and workers, but for the most part they are ignorant and untrained. They need our help in securing a higher type of leadership.

The work in Cuba is encouraging notwithstanding political and economic disturbances. The president has recently been driven from the country and a new one placed in his stead. Several of the small outstatios have been closed.

There are now nine churches in Panama, eight negro and one white church. They are planning to carry the work into the interior as soon as possible among the Catholics.

There are now five hundred thousand Jews in the Southland and only a small number of them believing in Christ. Rev. Jacob Gartenhaus a converted Jew and a great worker is employed as a missionary to these people. There is a more hopeful attitude of the Jews toward the gospel of Christ. No longer do they look askance at Christians who seek to minister their spiritual needs. Neither do they hesitate to enter Christian churches as they once did, nor do they consider the missionary as their enemy. Many of them are reading the New Testament with interest and are seeking interviews in regard to becoming Christians. Much literature is being distributed among them.

The Home Board is sponsoring several schools and Good Will Centers. There are 18 workers with 491 day pupils. There were 504 conversions in these last year.

For the past few years receipts have been sadly falling off and much of the work has been necessarily curtailed. The total cash receipts last year were $302,392.87. The Board laid its budget on a basis of $266,000 and the remainder was applied to the back debts which have been hanging like a pall over the work for several years. During last year $89,357 were paid on the debt. The Board is working within its income regardless of how it hurts. This is the only way to avoid debt and maintain the credit of the denomination as a whole.

Let us pray that the work may take an upward trend now the depression is loosening its grip on the country.

Respectfully submitted,

F. C. NYE.

REPORT OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

There are two things about Foreign Missions in which all of us are very much interested: How well is the cause being supported by the church here at home, and how well is the work prospering in the foreign field?

The story of how the churches have been supporting the Foreign Mission cause is not a thrilling one. This failure of ours is only a demonstration of our failure, and not God's.

The appropriations by our Foreign Mission Board for the year 1933 are about three-fourths as large as they were for the budget of 1932, which means that our budget for the present year is about twenty-five per cent lower than it was last year.

A phase of the work has been reduced drastically. We refer to the necessity of having to ask thirty mis sionaries to remain at home who were on furlough. The Board was unable to return the missionaries to the field. This only one of the phases from which our Board is suffering. Our debt situation is very serious. We are paying $63,000 this year, for interest on borrowed money. Our debt on the first of January 1933 was $1,115,177.17. We have been able to reduce the debt about $30,000 during the year 1932. We haven't increased the debt any, but on the other hand have lowered it a little during the past year. Until this debt burden is lifted from the Board it can not hope to make progress.

We are glad to report that during the last year there were 17,284 baptisms. This is 691 more than we reported a year ago, the largest number of baptisms we have ever reported in any one year.

We now have 192,078 church members gathered into 2,698 churches. Of these churches 1,956 are self-supporting. Besides these churches we have 2,352 outstations, where the Gospel is preached, and that may be developed into churches some day.

The church members gave last year $354,251, which is more than all the churches in the Southern Baptist Convention gave to the Foreign Mission Board 25 years ago. The number of our schools has been greatly reduced due to the falling off of our income. We still have 277 schools in which were gathered 18,789 students last year. Of these schools there were nine training schools for women in which 269 students studied. There were fifteen theological training schools in which there were 315 students. These schools ar our training base for intelligent distribution of the Gospel.

Our Heavenly Father has taken us into partnership with him in the matter of carrying the Gospel to the lost all over the world. From the facts disclosed in this report, I fear we are not as heroic in this fellowship as our favored opportunity warrants.

Respectfully submitted,

B. H. DUNCAN, Com.

REPORT ON BIBLICAL RECORDER ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION SESSION 1933

As each Annual Session of the Ashe Association, we religiously read and adopt a report on the Biblical Recorder, praising it as a paper and pledging to it our fealty and support. Yet, mighty, mighty few of us take it, read it, or aid it in way whatever.

What I suspect the paper needs in order to run is cash rather than bouquets, subscribers rather than sweet platitudes, and genuine support from pulpit and pew rather than spreading upon the minutes of our Association a lot of meaningless words and phrases telling our people what a great denominational paper we have—and we might add, read perhaps as little as we read the Bible.

We have been going through a serious depression. Our denominational papers have fared hard. I suspect as I look through a recent issue of the Recorder that if it were not for Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic, and Calotabs that the Recorder would be compelled to suspend publiction. It is a shame that the organ of our Baptist State Convention must live on advertising that decent dailies and secular publications spurn.

Our people have been hard hit by the depression, too. But most of us Baptists waste far more in a year and spend far more on non-essentials than the cost of a year's subscription to the Biblical Recorder.

We can say once more that the Recorder is a worthy paper; that Mr. Farmer is carrying on in a great way in the place once graced by J. W. Bailey, Hight C. Moore and Livingston Johnson; that one must have the Recorder to be a well informed Baptist. Let us add that as pastors and laymen, we will prove this year that we mean it or let us quit adopting reports that praise a paper we do nothing to help support.

Respectfully submitted,

IRA T. JOHNSTON, Committee.

REPORT ON HOSPITAL

About eleven years ago our North Carolina Baptist Hospital was but a shell, unfinished and unfurnished. Today it is a modern hospital, including a fine nurses' home, rendering a great ministry of healing and life to thousands of our needy sick. Over 21,000 patients have been cared for in these years and over 9,000 have been helped financially.

An ever-increasing number of charity patients are continually knocking at the door of this great institution of healing for free relief from pain and death. To meet this need under the soul-trying conditions of recent years, has been a tremendous burden. To answer this call our Hospital has cut salaries, curtailed expenses and economized in every way possible and yet many cases of real need and suffering cannot be cared for because of lack of funds.

It is the Christian duty of every Baptist church in North Carolina to help in this emergency. It is the noblest opportunity that can be offered our people to obey our Lord's command when he said "Heal the Sick."

The Hospital asks us to meet this duty by making through our Sunday schools a liberal offering on

Mother's Day and by sending with each charity patient $1.50 per day for the time such a person is cared for.

We should show our appreciation of the North Carolina Baptist Hospital by responding liberally to this request.

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. GOODMAN, Com.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

Temperance is the greatest question that confronts the church at this time. Since the 18th amendment has been in force alcohol insanity has decreased 42 per cent, general crime from drinking has decreased 66 per cent, drunkenness has decreased 44 per cent, auto wrecks have decreased 50 per cent, and drinking has decreased 77 per cent.

In the United States under legalized liquor there were 98 Keeley Institutes. They have been reduced to 11 under the eighteenth amendment.

It would be better to turn rattesnakes loose in every community in North Carolina than to bring back the legal sale of liquor.

A group of millionaires who see a way to escape income taxes have formed an association to bring back liquor and let the little man pay the revenue of the government. Are we willing to sell the souls and bodies of our youth; to satisfy those who drink? Alcohol is a deady poison. Solomon said it biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder. It is crazy, it doesn't know the difference between a hovel and a palace. It never has obeyed the law and never will. It is a natural outlaw and will alwys be. It is used to kill the living and preserve the dead, destroying the mind and body.

The alcohol taken from 20 bottles of beer, if given to a child or man not accustomed to drinking, would produce death.

First: Resolved that each pastor in the Ashe Association preach a temperance sermon before November 1, 1933.

Second: Resolved that we, the Ashe Association, go on record standing firm for the 18th amendment.

Respectfully submitted,

T. A. FARMER.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE

We find in looking over the quarterly report from the church in the associations of the state that the Ashe association is near the bottom, only nine above zero. In the report from April to July this association only sent in $20.30 for this quarter.

We know the depression has hit the people hard, as to raising money, but this does not stop the orphan children from eating if it is in their reach. And if we cannot raise money we can and have raised produce that the children can eat, and we should send this to them in abundance this year, as there has been plenty raised to supply our needs and theirs too if we only send it to them.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. M. D. BLACKBURN.

REPORT OF RINANCE COMMITTEE

We, your committee on finance, beg leave to submit the following report. Received for minutes and clerk expenses $63.16.

Respectfully submitted,

W. A. BLACKBURN,
G. R. HAM,
H. M. WINKLER.

OLD MINISTERS' RELIEF

The relief and annuity board is the only agency that administers aid for the suport of our aged ministers. During last conventional year this board aided 662 aged ministers, 588 aged widows, 150 dependent children, with a cost of $108,258.57, a decrease of $24,258.54 from 1931. This amounts to about $6.43 per month for each individual. These amounts are small but greatly appreciated by the beneficiaries. We should not neglect this feature of our work.

REV. G. C. BURKETT.

PLACE AND PREACHER

Your committee on place and preacher for next session submit the following: Place, Beaver Creek Church, preacher, Rev. T. A. Farmer; Alternate, Rev. L. W. Blevins.

H. A. ELLER, Chairman.

REPORT ON PASTORS SALARIES

The Lord has ordained that they that preach the Gospel should live by the Gospel. We paid last year to our pastors an average of less than forty-eight dollars per church, an average of less than seventy-five cents per member. Surely this is not treating our pastors fair. We spend 20 to 100 per cent more for luxuries than we pay our pastors. God is not pleased with us when we spend the money he has entrused in our hands this way. How can we pray the will of the Lord be done and treat his servants this way. It is true that just a few pay most of this amount. There are lots of members who pay nothing. I think everyone could pay at least $1 or more a year. I do not believe that very many pay as much as they ought to.

Respectfully submitted,

C. L. GRACE.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

About the year 1780, Robert Raikes of England, originated the modern Sunday School and since that time, its influence for good has been felt and recognized throughout the civilized world. There are two great essentials in the ministry of Jesus, teaching the word, and preaching the word. The Sunday School is the teaching service of the church. There is nothing connected with our Association more vital to our people than that of religious training. With our 2,313 Sunday Schools in the State, with a membership of 363,416 together with several thousand pupils belonging to the B. Y. P. U. and other worthy organizations, with more and better qualified teachers than ever before, for all this we should feel grateful.

The Sunday School is a very important feature of religious work, because it serves the young people at a time when they are most impressionable, and particularly affords them an opportunity for an intimate acquaintenance with the book of all books—the Bible.

Your committee would advise that each church represented in this Association, make a more earnest effort to enlist its available constituency in this most important work, the Sunday School. Statistics show that a vast number of our church membership enter while they are young, and that this number mostly come through the Sunday School. Hence, the importance of proper training in the Sunday School, which is the training school for the church.

We should teach the rising generation, that God is a Father; a living, loving personality. That man is a child of God; destined to live eternally, and possessed of powers that are capable of development forever in the direction of the perfect. That life is a training school. Here choices are made that determine the direction of the soul's eternal expansion. What are we

going to do with the boys ad girls? They are coming up to manhood, and womanhood, either for God, or against him. The action of their parents may decide their eternal destiny.

Respectfully submitted,

H. M. WINKLER.

RESOLUTIONS

Be it resolved by the Ashe Association in its forty-seventh annual session:

That we express and extend to the people of Old Fields Church and the community, our deep appreciation and heartfelt gratitude for the old fashioned Christian hospitality so abundantly in evidence throughout the session;

That we express our thanks to the officers of the association for their uniform courtesy and devoted service;

That we pledge renewed devotion to our great denomination and those causes for which it stands and to show that devotion by aiding them financially as God has blessed us and by living our faith.

IRA T. JOHNSTON,
J. C. GOODMAN,
W. F. BARKER.

MINUTES OF WOMEN'S MISSIONARY UNION CONVENTION HELD WITH MISSION HOME BAPTIST CHURCH

1. Devotional exercises by Rev. P. E. Downs.

2. Greetings to visiting societies by Mrs. J. H. Gentry.

3. Response by Mrs. P. E. Downs.

4. Roll Call and reports. Beaver Creek, Big Flatts, Grassy Creek, Mission Home and West Jefferson represented.

5. Address on Mission study by Mrs. Edna R. Harris.

6. Inspiring message by Miss Minnie Haire; theme, "Be Not Afraid."

7. Playlets by Big Flatts Young People.

8. Messages by Mrs. P. E. Downs and Mrs. W. C. La Rue.

9. Address by Mrs. Edna R. Harris on "Being True to Our Christ."

10. Appointment of committees: Time and place, Mrs. Sarah Greene, Mrs. J. O. Goodman and Mrs. Triplett. Resolutions, Mrs. Harris, Mrs. La Rue and Mrs. W. F. Church. Nominations, Mrs. P. E. Downs and Miss Bertie Greene.

11. Adjournment for lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION

1. Devotional by Rev. J. H. Gentry.

2. Talk by Mrs. J. M. Prevette.

3. Playlet by West Jefferson Young People.

4. Peport on time and place for next meeting: Time, as early as state worker can make it; Place, Beaver Creek Baptist Church.

5. Appropriate resolutions adopted.

6. Election of officers for ensuing year; Miss Minnie Haire, Superintendent; Mrs. J. O. Goodman, Associate Superintendent; Mrs. J. C. Gambill, Mission Study Chairman; Mrs. J. E. Shumate, Personal Service Chairman; Mrs. J. M. Prevette, Young Peoples Leader; Miss Lucy Greene, Secretary-Treasurer.

7. Adjournment; prayer by Mr. J. C. Greene.

MISS MINNIE HAIRE, Supt.,
MISS LUCY GREENE, Sec.-Treas.,
MISS BERTIE GREENE, Sec. Pro tem.

REPORT OF TREASURER

Received from finance committee	$63.15
Collection for minute funds	3.47
Total	$66.63
Paid for printing minutes	$53.00
Paid for postage	10.00
Paid to Baptist Hospital	2.42
Total	$65.42
Balance	$ 1.21

Respectfully submitted,
W. BRYAN OLIVER, Clerk and Treasurer.

MINUTES OF SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

1. Convention met with Tuckerdale Baptist Church Saturday and Sunday, July 15 and 16, 1933.

2. Elected Rev. T. A. Farmer chairman and Rev. L. W. Blevins secretary.

3. Introductory sermon by Rev. C. W. Sexton.

4. Appointed Rev. L. W. Blevins, C. W. Sexton and M. F. Denney as a committee to lay off the association into four districts and nominate a field worker for each district.

5. Sermons and talks were delivered by Rev. J. C. Blevins, Rev. L. W. Blevins, Rev. W. E. Denney, E. Z. Sexton and others.

6. Appointed Frank Tucker, Gwyn Denney and David Harless committee on time and place for next meeting.

7. Report of committee on Field Workers; Rev. Joshua Cockerham of Long Branch, Sabbath Home, Pleasant Hill, Peak Valley, Apple Grove, Baptist Home, Big Laurel, Clifton, Mountain View, Pilot

Mountain, Smethport. Miss Minnie Haire for Mission Home, Liberty Grove, Valley Home, Bald Mountain, Beaver Creek, Bethel, Old Fields, Big Flatts Buffalo, Glendale, Laurel Knob. Gwyn Denney for Bristol, Chestnut Hill, Friendship, Liberty Hill, Oak Hill, Obids, Jefferson, Orion, Phoenix, West Jefferson. Rev. L. W. Blevins for Healing Springs, Grassy Creek, Landmark Little Helton, Pleasant Valley, New River, Pleasant Home, Pleasant Branch, Tuckerdale, Sturgills, Warrensville.

8. Chairmen and field workers are to be in charge of program for next year.

9. Appropriate resolutions written by Gwyn Denney, Rev. J. E. Blevins and Rev. C. C. Parsons were adopted.

10. The next session is to be held with Bald Mountain Church on Saturday and Sunday, July 28-29, 1934.

REV. T. A. FARMER, Chairman,
REV. L. W. BLEVINS, Secretary.

B. Y. P. U. REPORT

Our Young People have unlimited opportunities today for enlisting in the work of the Master and preparing themselves for His service through the Baptist Young People's Unions.

For the past five years the young people's work has grown in the county convention as it has in the southwide convention, and more and more young people are coming to realize the need of greater trained Christians in the Master's work, and to heed this call. Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that need not be ashamed, nightly demanding the truth. Brother Pastors, your young people are your greatest treasures. Will you not give yourself to them to the degree that their needs and possi-

bilities demand? These young people today are the leaders of tomorrow in our churches. May we go forward as we enter another year with high courage, believing that God will continue to bless us and that we are entering upon a more glorious and triumphant year.

DENNIS LEWIS.

PROGRAM ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Following is the program of the Ashe Baptist Association to be held with Beaver Creek Baptist Church Friday, Saturday and Sunday, August 31, and September 1 and 2, 1934 with Rev. W. E. Denny, Moderator, Grassy Creek, N. C., and Bryan Oliver, Clerk, Grassy Creek, N. C..

FRIDAY MORNING, AUGUST 24

10:00 Introductory Sermon.....Rev. T. A. Farmer
10:30 Election of Officers.
10:45 Reception of Churches and Visitors.
11:00 Appointment of Committees.
11:45 Report on Christian Education.
12:00 Adjournment for lunch—Everybody bring baskets.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, AUGUST 24

1:30 Co-operative Program.
(a) Report on State Missions.
(b) Report on Home Missions.
(c) Report on Foreign Missions.
(d) Report on Every Member Canvass.
2:00 Report on Biblical Recorder.
2:30 Sermon.....Rev. C. W. Sexton
3:00 Miscellaneous.
3:15 Announcement of Homes for Messengers and Visitors.

FRIDAY NIGHT, AUGUST 24

7:30 Pastors' Conference on Evangelism led by Rev. W. E. Denney.
9:30 Devotional.....Rev. Carrol Burkett
9:30 Report on Baptist Hospital.
10:00 Report on Orphanage.
11:00 Report on Pastors' Salaries.
11:30 Sermon.....Rev. P. E. Downs
12:15 Adjournment for lunch—Everybody bring baskets.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON, AUGUST 25

1:30 Report on Old Minister's Relief.
2:00 Report on Temperance.
2:15 Report on B. Y. P. U.
2:30 Report of Finance Committee.
2:45 Report of Committee on Digest of Church Letters.

SATURDAY NIGHT, AUGUST 25

7:30 Pastors' Conference on Enlistment.....Rev. H. M. Winkler.
8:00 Sermon.....REV. H. M. WINKLER

SUNDAY MORNING, AUGUST 26

9:00 Devotional.....Rev. L. W. Blevins
10:00 Report on Sunday Schools.
10:45 Report on Place for next Meeting.
10:50 Report of Committee on Resolutions.
11:15 Report on W. M. U.
11:30 Sermon.....Rev. J. O. Spencer
12:30 Adjournment.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS

Member last year, 3338; baptisms, 65; present membership, 3315; number of Sunday Schools, 29; Sunday School enrollment, 1988; average attendance, 1302; number of B. Y. P. U's., 4, membership, 85; number of W. M. U's., 4, membership, 35; pastors' salaries, $1618.65; gifts to benevolence, $481.99; total of all church gifts, $3762.52.

A. D. GOODMAN.

Memoranda of Respect to James T. King

The Phoenix Baptist Church having lost by death one of its strongest and most worthy members, James T. King, desires to express by this method its appreciation of his worth and merit and of its bereavement at his passing.

He became a member of the Baptist Church in early life after conversion and baptism and lived a consecrated and upright life of the same until the day of his death. He was ever loyal and faithful to the best interest of the church and to the advancement of righteousness among all Christian people and everywhere. He fought many battles in the Christian warfare; strong in faith, powerful in prayer and brave to champion and defend the cause of righteousness when and wherever it was assailed.

He was under the hand of affliction many years prior to his death, this he bore with patience and fortitude ever giving expression of a desire to fulfill and do the Lords will.

We miss him much in our worship and councils. We shall continue to miss him and feel keenly the loss we have sustained in his death.

We extend our heart felt sympathies to the bereaved family and relatives.

We cherish in memory his many and admirable Christian graces and achievements as worthy of our emulation.

H. A. ELLER,
J. Q. CHILDERS,
Committee.

Porter

G. W. Porter was born July 23, 1872. Died, December 6, 1932 making his stay on earth sixty years, three months and thirteen days. He was married to Victoria Blevins October 1, 1932. Unto this union eight children were born, three of whom preceded him in death. He professed faith in Christ and joined Little Helton Baptist Church November 14, 1925. He was ordained a Deacon of the Church August 7, 1926 and lived a faithful and consecrated Christian life until death. He was a kind and loving husband and father, a good neighbor, one that will be missed much by his family, relatives and friends.

Brown

Thomas H. Brown was born July 4, 1875, died August 8, 1933, age fifty-eight years, one month and four days. At the age of eighteen he professed faith in Christ and joined Bethel Baptist Church. For thirty-three years he was a faithful member, serving for a number of years as church clerk and Sunday School superintendent. He was married to Alice Cox in 1900. Unto this union one child was born. He is survived by wife, daughter and three grand children, and a host of friends who will greatly miss him.

Waddell

Joe Waddell, Jr., son of Joe and Ella Waddell was born December 21, 1923, departed this life December 26, 1932, age, nine years, and five days. He was sick ten weeks, having borne his suffering with great patience. He was an affectionate and loving child, and was loved by all that knew him. Weep not father, mother, brothers and sister, for little Joe has gone to that beautiful home that Jesus has prepared for him and the blood-washed and redeemed.

Dancy

Bayard Carr Dancy, son of Carr and Retta Dancy, was born July 5, 1919 died January 5, 1933, age thirteen years and six months. He was an unusal child always talking of spiritual things even when a very small boy. At the age of eight he felt that he had been called to preach. During his sickness he never gave up hope that sometime in the future he would be able to carry on the work that meant so much to him. We truly believe that his soul is basking in the sunshine of the Saviour's love that he loved to write and talk of. He leaves father, mother and one sister and a host of friends to mourn their loss.

Roupe

Jake Roupe, son of Marshall and Matilda Roupe, was born April 13, 1884, departed this life September 30, 1932, age forty-eight years, five months and seven days. Mr. Roupe accepted Christ as his Saviour in early life and united with New River Baptist Church in 1927, he was ordained a deacon shortly after. He was a faithful and helpful member until death. He was married to Ella Brown August 15, 1912. To this union nine children were born, all of whom are living except one. His wife, children and a host of friends mourn their loss but we feel that their loss is his eternal gain.

Sheets

Bettie Hooser Sheets was born in 1850, departed this life March 16, 1933, age, eighty-three years. She was married to Albert Sheets, whose death preceded her little more than seven years. Having professed faith in Christ at an early age, she joined Bristol Baptist Church where she remained a true member until death.

South

Rebecca Sheets South departed this life in the year 1932. About seven years ago she was married to Walter South. Unto this union two children were born. She professed faith in Christ and joined Bristol Baptist Church where she remained a true member until death.

Hoosier

Nancy Jane McClure Hoosier was born August 13, 1860, died March 24, 1933. She was married to Wilson Hoosier and to this union seven children were born. She professed hope in Christ and joined Mt. Pleasant Chapel Church, where she lived a devoted Christian life until death.

Caudill

Lydia Caudill, daughter of Richard and Mary Bauguess, was born March 27, 1849. She departed this life January 21, 1933, age eighty-three years, nine months and twenty-five days. About 1867 she was married to Henry Caudill and to this union seven children were born, three of whom with their father preceded her to the beyond. She had thirty-two grandchildren, forty-three great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild. She professed hope in Christ and joined the Missionary Baptist Church at Apple Grove, later she moved her membership to Tuckerdale Baptist Church where she lived a true member until death.

Duvall

Tisha Blevins Duvall, daughter of Quincey and Louisa Blevins, was born January 3, 1896, died April 30, 1933, age thirty-seven years, three months and twenty-seven days. She was married to G. R. Duvall August 18, 1928. To this union three children were born, two of whom preceded her to the great beyond. About 1925 she professed hope in Christ and joined Mt. Pleasant Union Baptist Church. After marriage she moved her membership to Healing Springs Missionary Baptist Church with her husband, where she remained a consecrated member until death. She leaves husband, little daughter, three step-children, two sisters and six brothers with a host of friends to mourn their loss, but we are sure that our loss is her eternal gain.

NOTE: Due to lack of space the obituaries could not be printed as submitted.

C. G. DENNY, Committee.

TABLE I: CHURCH MEMBERSHIP, ETC. ASHE ASSOCIATION FOR AUG. 25, 1933

CHURCHES	Town or Country Church	when Constituted	PASTORS AND POST OFFICES	Days of Meeting	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP									Weekly Prayer Meetings	Revivals During Year	Lord's Sup. During Yr.	Receiving Baptist Paper
					Membership Last Year	GAINS				LOSSES			Present Members				
						Baptisms	Letters	Statements	Restorations	Letters	Exclusions	Erasures	Deaths				
Apple Grove	C	1855	J. C. Blevins, Grassy Creek	2	54							4		50	No	1	
Bald Mountain	C	1910	T. A. Farmer, Lansing		96					2				94	No	1	1
Baptist Home	C	1890	T. A. Farmer, Lansing		79												
Beaver Creek	C		H. M. Winkler, Todd	2	67		1			1				67	Yes	1	1
Bethel	C	1851	G. L. Trivett, West Jefferson	2	157	7	1			3		1	1	160	Yes	1	1
Big Flatts	C	1905	G. L. Trivett, West Jefferson	4	97									97	No		1	1
Big Laurel	C	1909	H. M. Bennett, Apple Grove		54							1		53				
Bristol	C	1888	Arthur Ashley, Warrensville	2	64	7			1	1	4		3	64	Yes	2	1	
Buffalo	C	1869	T. A. Farmer, Lansing	4	144	4				2			1	145	Yes	1		1
Chestnut Hill	C	1928	Arthur Ashley, Warrensville	2	53	1	1			8				47				
Clifton	C	1923	M. D. Blackburn, West Jefferson		36													
Friendship	C	1880	W. E. Denny, Grassy Creek	3	151					1				150	Yes	1	1	

Glendale C	1914	T. J. Cockerham, Crumpler.....	3	57	6				1				62	Yes	1		
Grassy Creek ...C	1927	J. O. Spencer, Grassy Creek.....	3	107	5	3						1	114	Yes	1	1	2
Healing Springs .C	1888	J. O. Spencer, Grassy Creek.....	1	176	2	6			2	1		2	179	No		1	
Jefferson .....T	1888	J. L. Underwood, Sparta.....	1	40									40				2
Landmark C	1856	W. E. Denny, Grassy Creek.....	4	201	1				1			1	200		1	1	
Laurel Knob ...C	1912	H. M. Winkler, Todd.....	4	104	1	1					5		101	No	1	1	
Liberty Grove ..C	1913	H. M. Winkler, Todd.....	3	93									93				
Liberty Hill C	1907	G. L. Trivett, West Jefferson.....		34							1		33				
Long Branch ...C	1889	T. A. Farmer, Lansing.....	1	49	1		5						55	No	1	1	
Little Helton ...C	1923	E. A. Eller, Grassy Creek.....	2	62	4			1	3		1	2	61	Yes	1	1	
Mission Home ..V	1892	G. L. Trivette, West Jefferson.....	1	94					2			1	91	Yes	1	1	
Mountain View .C	1897	Lee Howell, Husk.....	3	101	2				1	7	20	1	74	Yes	1	1	
New River C		J. O. Spencer, Grassy Creek.....	4	79	3	2						1	83	No	1	1	2
Oak Hill C	1927	E. Sexton, Lansing.....	3	37					2		2	1	32	Yes		1	
Obids C	1891	G. C. Burkett, Jefferson.....	1	65					1			1	63	No	1	1	2
Old Fields C	1803	G. L. Trivett, West Jefferson.....	4	166					2			1	163	No	1	1	
Orion C	1911	E. Z. Sexton, Lansing.....	1	70	1								71				
Peak Valley C	1904	J. R. Trivette, Mabel.....		44	1				5				40				
Phoenix C	1908	W. E. Denny, Grassy Creek.....	2	104								1	103	Yes	1	1	2
Pilot Mountain .C	1889	H. M. Winkler, Todd.....	3	78					2	1	3		72	Yes	1	1	
Pleasant Branch.C	1931	R. G. Sturgill, Sturgill.....	2	31									31				
Pleasant Home .C	1870	E. A. Eller, Grassy Creek.....	4	102	2	4			3				105	Yes	1	1	
Pleasant Valley .C	1926	E. A. Eller, Grassy Creek.....	1	77	1	1						1	78	No		1	
Sabbath Home ..C	1932	C. W. Sexton, Edison.....	4	39		3							42	No		1	
Smethport V	1923	Arthur Ashley, Warrensville.....	4	72	6							1	77	No	1		
Sturgills C	1933	E. Blevins, Grassy Creek.....	1	0	5	6							11	Yes	1		
Tuckerdale V	1915	W. E. Denny, Grassy Creek.....	1	80					1			2	77	No	1	1	
Valley Home ...C	1916	M. D. Blackburn, West Jefferson...	1	83	3								86	No	2	1	
Warrensville ...V	1871	Arthur Ashley, Warrensville.....		45	1				1				45				
West Jefferson ..T	1916	P. E. Downs, West Jefferson.....	4	211	1	11			6	9		2	206	Yes	1	1	4
		Total.....		3338	65	40	5	2	51	22	38.24		3315				16

TABLE II. Sunday Schools of Ashe Baptist Asso. Aug. 25, 1933

CHURCHES	Village, Town or Country Church	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST OFFICES	Officers and Teachers	Total Enrollment	Average Attendance
Apple Grove	C	A. P. Howell, Husk, N. C.	6	60	40
Bald Mtn.	C	Walter Houck, W. Jefferson	5	63	50
Beaver Creek	C				
Baptist Home		Spencer Goodman, W. Jef'son	6	60	35
Bethel	C	T. H. Brown, Oval, N. C.	6	102	40
Big Flatts	C	H. V. Walker, Fleetwood	14	100	40
Big Laurel	C				
Bristol	C	R. E. Caudill, Jefferson	6		70
Buffalo	C	B. S. Harless, Smethport	8	120	61
Chestnut Hill	C	W. H. McMillan, Crumpler	5	65	30
Friendship	C	David Burkett, Jefferson	6	100	60
Glendale	C	Jessie Bare, Glendal Springs.	10		60
Grassy Creek	C	Mrs. F. C. Nye, Grassy Creek	9		45
Healing Sprs.	C	J. T. Phipps, Jefferson	6	70	70
Jefferson	T				
Landmark	C	W. L. Hurley, Crumpler	8		50
Laurel Knob	C	G. S. Holman, Todd	6	60	29
Liberty Grove	C	C. E. Howell, Todd	8	94	
Liberty Hill	C				
Long Branch	C	J. G. Welch, Lansing	6	110	65
Little Helton	C	Chas. Hurley, Grassy Creek	5	52	33
Mission Home	C	J. C. Greene Fleetwood	6	67	40
Mtn. View	C				
New River	C	W. D. Brown, Weaversford	8	103	55
Oak Hill	C	Jackson Barker, Bina	6	36	
Obids	C				
Oldfields	C	Wm. Blackburn Brownwood	9	90	40
Orion	C				
Peak Valley	C				
Phoenix	C	F. L. Waddell, Bina	8	85	35
Pilot Mtn.	C	Glenn Miller, Laxon	7	54	43
Pleas. Branch	C				
Pleas. Home	C	J. C. Blevins, Grassy Creek	7	70	20
Pleas. Valley	C		8		36
Sabb'th H'me	C	J. L. Gillie, ansing, N. C.	6	65	40
Smethport	C	P. S. Bumgarner, Smethport.	7	74	60
Sturgills	C				
Tuckerdale	C	Jessie E. Davis, Lansing	6	46	
Valley Home	C	Coy Lawrence, Toliver		95	45
Warrensville	C				
W. Jefferson	T	J. C. Goodman, W. Jefferson.	10	147	110
TOTALS			108	1988	1302

TABLE III. Church Property of Ashe Baptist Asso.

CHURCHES, CHURCH CLERKS AND POST OFFICES	When Built?	Persons Seated	Value of Church and Grounds	Total Value All Church Property
Apple Grove, H. A. Miller, Whitetop, Va.	1899	150	850	850
Bald Mountain, John Goodman, W. Jefferson.	1910	300	1300	1300
Beaver Creek, Hayden Goodman, W. Jefferson	1900	400	400	400
Baptist Home				
Bethel, R. G. Phillips, Oval	1922	300	3000	
Big Flatts, Mrs. Minnie Payne, Fleetwood	1908	200	1000	1000
Big Laurel, Mattie Rupard, Hemlock	1904	250	1000	1000
Bristol, Mamie Wallace, Jefferson	1928	150	800	800
Buffalo, Myrtle Harless, Smethport	1869	250	700	700
Chestnut Hill, W. H. McMillan, Crumpler	1931	300	1500	1500
Friendship, Foster Brown, Jefferson	1909	400	1600	1600
Glendale, Gordon Severt, Wagoner	1914	200	1500	1500
Grassy Creek, Mrs. F. C. Nye Grassy Creek	1927	300	3000	3000
Healing Springs, G. R. Hamm, Crumpler	1895	400	3000	3000
Jefferson, Ira T. Johnston, Jefferson	1888	250	1000	1000
Landmark, T. A. Jones, Grassy Creek	1909	300	3000	3000
Laurel Knob, G. S. Holman, Todd	1910	300	500	500
Liberty Hill, J. H. Wagoner, Nathans Creek	1910	300	400	400
Liberty Grove, J. P. Howell, Garren	1916	300	1200	1800
Long Branch, Ray Welch, Lansing	1920	300	1520	1520
Little Helton, Chas. Hurley, Grassy Creek	1928	300	2000	2000
Mission Home, J.H. Gentry, West Jefferson	1900	300	1600	1600
Mt. View, Opal Coldiron, Apple Grove	1913	200	300	300
New River, W. D. Brown, Weaversford		400	1500	1500
Oak Hill, J. A. Campbell, Jefferson	1927	300	1500	5100
Obids, H. M. Brown, Obids	1903	400	2000	2000
Old Fields, W. M. Blackburn, Brownwood	1926	400	4000	4000
Orion, J. T. Dilliard, Jefferson	1911	300	2000	2000
Peak Valley, Mrs. Queenie Elliot, Creston	1902	400	500	500
Phoenix, Mrs. F. L. Waddell, Bina	1913	300	2500	2500
Pilot Mountain, Glenn Miller, Laxon		200	500	500
Pleasant Branch, Violet Reedy, Grassy Creek.			500	500
Pleasant Home, Lee Waddell, Grassy Creek	1898	200	2000	2000
Pleasant Valley, Blaine Phipps, Grassy Creek.		150	600	600
Sabbath Home, Mrs. C. L. Goss, Lansing	1932	250	1500	1500
Smethport, P. S. Bumgarner, Smethport	1921	300	500	1900
Sturgill				
Tuckerdale, J. A. Darnell, Tuckerdale	1917	400	1500	1500
Valley Home, D. R. Jones, Toliver	1917	300		
Warrensville, J. H. Ashley, Warrensville	1929	200	1200	1200
West Jefferson, W. B. Tribble, W. Jefferson.	1927	700	15000	15000
TOTALS			67300	72600

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TABLE IV. Gifts For Local Church Work of Ashe Baptist Association.

CHURCHES, REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES	Pastor's Salary	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	Literature for S.S. B.Y.P.U. and W.M.S.	For Printing Minutes and Clerk of Asso.	Given by Church	Given by S.S.	Total for Local Purposes Given by Church and All Its Organizations
Appie Grove, Victory Tucker, Husk	36.00		97.00		3.75	1.00	50.45		50.45
Bald Mountain, Walter Houck, West Jefferson	44.88	13.37				1.05	58.20	6.76	64.96
Beaver Creek, Hayden Goodman, W. Jefferson	50.00				7.07		57.07		57.07
Bethel, R. G. Phillips, Oval	62.80				10.17		72.97		72.97
†*Big Flatts, Mrs. Minnie Payne, Fleetwood	41.75		5.00	10.00		1.50	88.10	6.69	124.44
Big Laurel, Mattie Rupard, Hemlock	13.00					1.00	14.00		14.00
*Bristol, Mamie Wallace, Jefferson	32.30	20.00				1.04	89.19	2.68	91.87
Buffalo, Myrtle Harless, Smethport	64.00	17.00		30.00		1.65	112.65	16.97	129.52
Chestnut Hill, W. H. McMillan, Crumpler	20.00	28.00	7.00		6.50	1.00	62.50		62.50
Friendship, T. K. Luther, Jefferson	58.29	6.02		3.02		2.40	69.63	9.75	79.48
Glendale, Gordon Severt, Wagoner	4.34	20.00			1.76	.75	26.85		26.85
Grassy Creek, Mrs. F. C. Nye, Grassy Creek	85.00					2.00	87.00		87.00
*Healing Springs, G. R. Hamm, Crumpler	60.00					3.00	71.54		71.54
Jefferson, Mrs. R. F. Blevins, Jefferson	47.10					2.00	49.10		49.10
Landmark, T. A. Jones, Grassy Creek	21.25			10.00	1.85	3.00	36.10		36.10
Laurel Knob, Lawson Edwards, Todd	45.00		3.00			1.00	49.00	8.10	57.10

Liberty Grove, C. E. Howell, Todd	61.80	32.05		10.00		1.50	105.35	13.78	119.13
Liberty Hill, J. H. Wagoner, Nathans Creek						1.30	1.30		1.30
†Long Branch, Carl Sexton, Edison	40.00	10.00	4.50	9.00		1.50	58.00	10.60	109.93
Little Helton, Chas. Hurley, Grassy Creek	8.85	17.65			2.93	2.40	31.83		31.83
Mission Home, J. H. Gentry, West Jefferson	47.60					.50	48.10	8.00	56.60
Mountain View, Opal Coldiron, Apple Grove	23.35		5.00			.70	29.05		29.05
New River, W. D. Brown, Weaversford	40.14		9.00			2.40	51.54	13.05	64.59
Oak Hill, J. A. Campbell, Jefferson	25.00					1.50	26.54		26.50
Obids, H. M. Brown, Obids	19.68					.75	20.43		20.43
Oldfields, Mrs. J. E. Cheek, Idlewild	75.00	20.00			10.00	1.72	106.72		106.72
Orion, W. J. Pare, Jefferson	60.00		25.00			2.00	87.00		87.00
Peak Valley, Mrs. Queenie Elliot, Creston									
†**Phoenix, Mrs. F. L. Waddell, Bina	74.20	31.60		18.00		4.85	133.55	14.08	156.98
Pilot Mountain, W. L. Byland, Brownwood	25.00	10.00	21.95			.75	57.70	8.85	66.55
Pleasant Branch, Violet Reedy, Grassy Creek						1.25	1.25		1.25
Pleasant Home, Lee Waddell, Grassy Creek	14.65	11.40	25.00	6.35	4.38	2.35	64.13		64.13
Pleasant Valley, Blaine Phipps, Grassy Creek	22.00	4.48				1.50	22.98		22.98
Sabbath Home, Mrs. C. L. Goss, Lansing	50.00				12.00	2.15	64.15		64.15
Smethport, P. S. Bumgarner, Smethport	25.00		17.83			1.20	44.03	10.41	54.44
Sturgills						1.00	1.00		1.00
Tuckerdale, W. H. Darnell, Tuckerdale	25.00					4.00	29.00		29.00
Valley Home, D. R. Jones, Toliver	44.50					1.00	45.50		45.50
Warrensville, J. H. Ashley, Warrensville	16.12	6.00				1.75	23.87		23.87
†West Jefferson, W. B. Tribble, West Jefferson	235.05	48.50	750.01	48.60		4.00	1086.15	88.00	1194.15
TOTALS	1618.65	304.97	970.28	144.97	60.41	63.46	2973.48	217.72	3280.53

*Help given to local poor: Big Flatts Church $29.85; Bristol Church, $35.85; Healing Spr. Church, $8.54.

†Given by all W. M. U. organizations: Big Flatts Church, $26.65; Long Branch Church, $34.33; Phoenix Church, $835; West Jefferson Church, $20.00.

*** Other salaries; Phoenix Church, $6.00.

TABLE V. Gifts for Missions, Education and All Benevolences, Ashe Baptist Association

CHURCHES	REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES	Total Co-operative Program	Special to Christian and Ministerial Education	Special to Orphanage	Special Hospitals	Total for All Missions	Total Given by W.M.U.	Total Given by Sunday School	Grand Total for Missions and Benevolences
Apple Grove	Victor Tucker, Husk			2.50	2.50	5.00			55.45
Bald Mountain	Walter Houck, West Jefferson	11.00				11.00			75.96
Beaver Creek	Hayden Goodman, W. Jefferson	9.00				9.00	4.00		70.07
*Big Flatts	Mrs. Minnie Payne, Fleetwood			24.33		25.08	11.10	8.90	169.52
Bethel	R. G. Phillips, Oval	18.00		12.00		30.00			102.97
**Bristol	Mamie Wallace, Jefferson			2.50	4.60	9.40			101.27
Buffalo	Myrtle Harless, Smethport	7.50		31.00	6.00	44.50		10.24	184.26
Big Laurel	Mattie Rupard, Hemlock	3.00				3.00			16.00
Chestnut Hill	W. H. McMillan, Crumpler			3.30	5.50	8.80			71.30
Friendship	T. K. Luther, Jefferson			14.48		14.48			93.96
Glendale	Gordon Severt, Wagoner			4.57		4.57			31.42
Grassy Creek	Mrs. F. C. Nye, Grassy Creek	20.04	21.20			41.24			136.26
Healing Springs	G. R. Hamm, Crumpler	1.90			5.00	6.90			78.44
Jefferson	Mrs. R. F. Plevins, Jefferson	10.00		10.00		20.00			69.10
Landmark	T. A. Jones, Grassy Creek				10.17	10.17			46.27
Laurel Knob	Lawson Edwards, Todd	4.47				4.47			61.57

***Liberty Grove	C. E. Howell, Todd					2.50		6.00	133.63
Liberty Hill	J. H. Wagoner, Nathans Creek								
Long Branch	Carl Sexton, Edison				1.10	1.10	17.00		128.03
Little Helton	Chas. Hurley, Grassy Creek				5.60	5.60			37.43
Mission Home	J. H. Gentry, West Jefferson	2.00		14.50		16.50			73.10
Mountain View	Opal Coldiron, Apple Grove								28.35
New River	W. D. Brown, Weaversford							10.36	74.95
Oak Hill	J. A. Campbell, Jefferson								26.50
Obids	H. M. Brown, Obids				1.75	1.75			22.18
Old Fields	Mrs. J. E. Cheek, Idlewild								106.72
Orion	W. J. Bare, Jefferson		8.09			8.09			95.09
Peak Valley	Mrs. Queenie Elliott, Creston								
Phoenix	Mrs. F. L. Waddell, Bina	30.00		7.50	11.81	49.31	16.00	14.08	226.37
Pilot Mountain	W. L. Byland, Brownwood				1.00	1.00			67.55
Pleasant Branch	Violet Reedy, Grassy Creek								
Pleasant Home	Lee Waddell, Grassy Creek			2.09	3.04	5.13			70.07
Pleasant Valley	Blaine Phipps, Grassy Creek				3.50	3.50			31.48
Sabbath Home	Mrs. C. L. Goss, Lansing				3.25	3.25			31.48
Smethport	P. S. Bumgarner, Smethport	4.54				4.54			58.98
Sturgills									
Tuckerdale	W. H. Darnell, Tuckerdale				3.25	3.25			32.25
Valley Home	D. R. Jones, Toliver								45.50
Warrensville	J. H. Ashley, Warrensville								23.87
West Jefferson	W. B. Tribble, West Jefferson	9.71				9.71	7.67	12.80	1224.33
	Total	131.16	29.29	128.77	68.07	363.84	55.77	62.38	3762.52

* Big Flatts Church, 40 cents for Special to Home Missions, 35 cents for Special to Foreign Missions.

** Bristol Church, $2.30 for Other Special Gifts.

*** Liberty Grove Church, $2.50 for Special to Old Ministers' Relief.

TABLE III FOOTNOTES.

All the above named churches own their houses of worship and they are all made of wood except West Jefferson Baptist Church which is made of brick.

All have only one room except the following: Healing Springs Church, 3; Phoenix Church, 2; West Jefferson Church, 4.

The above named churches having separate class rooms are: Bald Mountain, 3; Grassy Creek, 5; Healing Springs, 2; Liberty Grove, 6; Long Branch, 1; New River, 1; Phoenix, 4; W. Jeff'son, 8.

Those having department assembly rooms are: Healing Springs, 2; Mission Home, 6; Phoenix, 4; West Jefferson, 8.

Values of pastors' homes are: Liberty Grove, $600; Oak Hill, $3600; Smethport, $1400; Total, $5300.

Indebtedness of all church property: Apple Grove, $12; Chestnut Hill, $95; Sabbath Home, $43; Smethport $50; West Jefferson, $1800; Total, $2000.

TABLE VI. B.Y.P.U.'s of Ashe Baptist Association, Aug. 31, 1933

CHURCHES	Senior Unions	Intermediate Unions	Junior Unions	Total Unions	Seniors Enrolled	Intermediates Enrolled	Juniors Enrolled	Total Enrolled	Daily Bible Readers	Number Taking B.Y.P.U. Study Course	Systemati : Givers
Bald Mountain ...No	1			1	26			26	12	17	
Beaver Creek.....											
Big Flatts.....											
West Jefferson ...Yes	1	1	1	3	25	19	15	59	31	4	25
TOTALS	2	1	1	4	51	19	15	85	43	21	25

TABLE VII. Woman's Work of Ashe Baptist Asso., Aug. 31, 1933

CHURCHES	Number of Woman's Missionary Societies	Number of Y.W.A.'s	Number of G.A.'s	Number of R.A.'s	No. of Sunbeams	Total W.M.U. Organizations	W.M.S. Members	Y.W.A.'s Members	G.A.'s Members	R.A.'s Members	Sunbeam Members	Members Enrolled
Beaver Creek	1											
Big Flatts	1			2			6		15			21
Phoenix	1						9					9
West Jefferson	1	1	1	1	1	5	20	10	10	20	18	78
TOTALS	4	1	1	3	1	5	35	10	25	20	18	98

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OF THE

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

NORTH CAROLINA

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HELD WITH

BEAVER CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH

August 31, September 1, 2, 1934

PROF. J. C. GOODMAN - - - - - - - -Moderator
W. A. CAMPBELL - - - - - Clerk and Treasurer

The next session will be held with Healing Springs Baptist Church, Crumpler, North Carolina, Aug. 30, 31, and Sept. 1, 1935.

Introductory Sermon by Rev. L. W. Blevins
Alternate, Rev. C. W. Sexton

CONSTITUTION

Artile 1. This body shall be called the Ashe Association.

Objects

Article 2. The object of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the gospel in our bounds, and in all the world, and in this work the Association will co-operate with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

Membership

Article 3. The members of this body shall be all the ordained ministers of the churches of the Association, and three delegates form each church. A letter certifying their appointment and giving statistics of the membership and work of the church shall be sent to the Clerk at least fifteen days before the opening of the session.

Organization

Article 4. At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a Moderator and a Clerk and Treasurer. This election shall take place hereafter at the end of each session, and those elected shall serve through the next session.

Duties of Officers

Article 5. The Moderator shall preside at all meetings, preserve order, appoint committees, and perform such duties as are required of presiding officers.

Article 6. The Clerk shall keep a correct record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing and distribution to the churches, the proceedings of the body.

Article 7. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent to the Association, to pay them out as the Association may direct, and make a report at each annual session.

Time and Place

Article 8. The Association shall hold an annual meeting at such time and place as may be agreed upon.

Appointments

Article 9. At each annual meeting there shall be appointed an executive committee of five brethren who shall look after the destitution in the bounds of this Association, and co-operate with the State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention, making to the next session a report of the work done and all the general State Mission work.

Article 10. Association shall convene annually on the last Friday in August. At each annual session there shall be appointed committees to make reports to the ensuing session, on the following subjects, to wit: State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Mission, Pastoral Support, Ministerial Education, Baptist Orphanage, Biblical Recorder, Temperance, Digest of Church Letters, Finance, Place and Preacher for next Association, and Baptist Hospital.

Order of Religious Exercises

Article 11. Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

Article 12. In addition to the introductory sermon, the committee on religious exercises shall arrange at least one other sermon each day the Association is in session and all business shall be suspended while the sermon is being delivered; but no sermon shall be scheduled while the Association is engaged in a business session.

Prerogatives

Article 13. The Association will not retain in permanent fellowship any church that retains in its fellowship any member who is disorderly in doctrine or practice, or who makes, sells, or in any way deals in ardent spirits as a beverage.

Constitution—How Amended

Article 14. This Constitution may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual session.

Abstract of Principles

1st. We believe in one true and living God, and that there are three persons in the God-head, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, and that these three are one.

2nd. We believe that the Bible, the New Testament, is the Word of God and the only rule of faith and practice.

3rd. We believe in the impotency of man and the sovereignty of God.

4th. We believe that salvation is by Grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5th. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ to be practiced only by believers in their spiritual order.

6th. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator, and that those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and doctrine, should take the Lord's Supper.

7th. We believe in the final perseverance of the saints in grace to glory.

8th. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment.

9th. We believe that the existence of the righteous and the wicked will both be of eternal duration, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

Rules of Order

1. Every session shall be opened and closed by prayer.
2. When the Moderator calls the house to order, every member shall at once take his seat.
3. When a member wishes to speak he shall rise and address the Moderator, and not proceed until he is recognized.
4. No member shall speak more than twice on any subject except by permission of the body.
5. No member shall leave the body during the session without permission of the Moderator.
6. It shall be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold private conversation while any person is speaking.

Forty-Eighth Annual Session

of the

ASHE MISSIONARY

BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

North Carolina

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August 31, September 1, 2, 1934

Directory of Associational Officers

Prof. J. C. Goodman, Moderator.....West Jefferson, N. C.
H. A. Eller, Vice-President.....Bina, N. C.
W. A. Campbell, Clerk and Treasurer.....West Jefferson, N. C.

Executive Committee and Board of Missions

Ira T. Johnston, Chairman.....Jefferson, N.C.
W. D. Brown.....Weavers Ford, N. C.
W. T. Harless.....West Jefferson, N. C.
Hayden Goodman.....West Jefferson, N. C.
J. W. Gambill.....West Jefferson, N. C.

Standing Committees—1935

State Missions.....Rev. P. E. Downs, West Jefferson, N. C.
Home Missions.....Rev. W. E. Denny, Grassy Creek, N. C.
Foreign Missions.....Ira T. Johnston, Jefferson, N. C.
Sunday Schools.....Rev. Arthur Ashley, Warrensville, N. C.
Biblical Recorder.....B. H. Duncan, Trade, Tenn.
Hospitals.....Rev. G. L. Trivett, West Jefferson, N. C.
Orphanage.....David Harless, West Jefferson, N. C.
Christian Education.....A. D. Goodman, Nettle Knob, N. C.
Pastoral Support.....W. H. McMillian, Crumpler, N. C.
Temperance.....W. D. Brown, Grassy Creek, N. C.
Old Minister's Relief.....J. T. Phipps, Crumpler, N. C.
Obituaries.....Clark Houck, West Jefferson, N. C.
B. Y. P. U.....D. C. Severt, West Jefferson, N. C.
W. M. U.....Minnie Haire, Fleetwood, N. C.
Digest of Church Letters.....A. D. Goodman, Nettle Knob, N. C.
J. F. Phipps and G. R. Duvall.....Crumpler, N. C.

Ordained Ministers in the Association

Ashley, A. C.	Warrensville, N. C.
Barker, W. F.	Grassy Creek, N. C.
Bennett, H. M.	Apple Grove, N. C.
Blackburn, Wiley	Jefferson, N. C.
Blackburn, M. D.	West Jefferson, N. C.
Blevins, E.	Grassy Creek, N. C.
Blevins, L. W.	Grassy Creek, N. C.
Blevins, J. C.	Grassy Creek, N. C.
Blevins, J. J.	Grassy Creek, N. C.
Burkett, R. M.	Jefferson, N. C.
Burkett, G. C.	Jefferson, N. C.
Campbell, J. A.	Bina, N. C.
Childers, Joseph	Weavers Ford, N. C.
Cockerham, T. J.	Crumpler, N. C.
Coffey, H. L.	Volney, Va.
Cope, C. M.	Crumpler, N. C.
Denny, Jesse	Apple Grove, N. C.
Denny, W. E.	Jefferson, N. C.
Dolinger, R. L.	Sturgills, N. C.
Downs, P. E.	West Jefferson, N. C.
Eller, E. A.	Grassy Creek, N. C.
Farmer, T. A.	Lansing, N. C.
Goodman, C. F.	West Jefferson, N. C.
Haire, P. H.	Fleetwood, N. C.
Hamby, J. M.	Bina, N. C.
Hayes, T. M.	Nathans Creek, N. C.
Howell, Lee	Husk, N. C.
Howell, J. G.	Grassy Creek, N. C.
Keller, R. N.	Fleetwood, N. C.
Neaves, J. M.	Crumpler, N. C.
Phipps, Eli	Apple Grove, N. C.
Powers, Arthur	Lansing, N. C.
Sexton, C. W.	Grassy Creek, N. C.
Sexton, E. Z.	Lansing, N. C.
Spencer, J. O.	Grassy Creek, N. C.
Stanley, J. T.	Lansing, N. C.
Stikes, C. M.	White Top, Va.
Sturgills, J. R.	Sturgills, N. C.
Testerman, Luther	Lansing, N. C.
Trivett, J. S.	Fleetwood, N. C.
Trivett, J. R.	Mabel, N. C.
Trivett, G. L.	West Jefferson, N. C.
Wilcox, Joseph	West Jefferson, N. C.
Winkler, H. M.	Todd, N. C.
Wyatt, Eldreth	White Top, Va.
Wyatt, Preston	White Top, Va.

List of Messengers

Apple Grove—A. P. Howell, W. M. Little, H. A. Miller.

Bald Mountain—Rexford Campbell, Millard Holman, John Goodman.

Baptist Home—G. E. Lewis, E. J. Brown, Clayton Eastridge.

Beaver Creek—W. G. Ray, Mattie Goodman, Mrs. Virginia Goodman.

Bethel—Bob Watson, Ralph Parsons, R. G. Phillips.

Big Flatts—J. L. Bumgarner, Minnie Haire, Mary Jordan.

Big Laurel—Ambrose Roten, Mattie Rupard, Earl Roland.

Bristol—Vance Johnston, Elmer Mullis, Mayme Wallace.

Buffalo—W. A. Campbell, Arthur Lewis, Charlie Hodge.

Chestnut Hill—W. H. McMillian, Sam Blevins, Nora McMillian.

Clifton—Nathan Richardson, D. F. Shumaker, John M. Burkett.

Friendship—Coy Goodman, Eugene Thompson, Fred Little.

Glendale—Gordon Severt, Jesse Bare.

Grassy Creek—H. P. Haynes, Wm. C LaRue, Stell Blevins.

Healing Springs—Hampton Blevins, G. R. Ham, Mrs. Curtis Grace.

Jefferson—Not represented.

Landmark—Avery Barker, J. E. Johnston, Luther Barker.

Laurel Knob—W. R. Grubb, Lawson Edwards, G. S. Holman.

Liberty Grove—C. E. Howell, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Goodman.

Long Branch—Wyatt Eldreth, Andy Surber, J. G. Welch.

Liberty Hill—J. H. Wagoner, H. C. Jones, Floyd Blevins.

Little Helton—Carl Sexton, Lidy Pasley, Nila Eller.

Mission Home—J. C. Greene, J. F. Parsons, J. H. Gentry.

Mountain View—Dave Calhoun, Jessie Denny.

New River—R. D. Brown, Howard, Brown, A. T. Arnold.

Oak Hill—Jackson Barker, Thomas Jones, Curnel Blevins.

Obids—Haggie Parsons, D. H. Burgess, Mrs. Nettie McNeill.

Old Fields—H. O. Baker, W. S. Blackburn, G. M. Cheek.

Orion—E. D. Jenkins, J. F. Dillard, W. J. Bare.

Peak Valley—Represented by letter.

Phoenix—F. L. Waddell, Cicero Ashley, J. W. King.

Pleasant Branch—J. F. Halsey, W. E. Reedy, J. V. Reedy.

Pleasant Hill—T. R. Miller, W. T. Farmer, F. D. Farmer.

Pleasant Home—Lee Waddell, Edgar DeBoard, Fred Pasley.

Pleasant Valley—Lelsie Jones, Blaine Phipps.

Pilot Mountain—Leonard Phillips, Turner Watson, Glenn Miller.

Sabbath Home—John Goss, Mrs. C. L. Goss, Mrs. Villa Stansbury.

Smethport—P. S. Bumgarner, Jake Day, Walter Bumgarner.

Sturgills—Isom Sturgill, Charlie Sizemore, Goldia Sizemore.

Tuckerdale—W. H. Darnell, Glenn Jones, Mrs. F. B. Tucker.

Valley Home—W. T. A. Jones, L. M. Roark, Vyrus Miller.

Warrensville—W. P. Shoaf, Arthur Childers, Thelma Ashley.

West Jefferson—David Harless, J. C. Goodman, Watt Phillips.

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Proceedings of the forty-eighth annual session held with Beaver Creek Baptist Church, August 31, September 1, 2, 1934.

FRIDAY MORNING, AUGUST 31

1. Introductory sermon by Rev. T. A. Farmer. Text: John 1: 38

2. Election of officers by acclamation: Prof. J. C. Goodman was elected Moderator, and W. A. Campbell was elected Clerk and Treasurer.

3. Roll call of Standing Committees: Committee on Home Missions was absent and Rev. P. E. Downs was appointed to make report.

5. Reception of Visitors: The following were seated with the body: Rev. B. K. Mason (Representing Biblical Recorder), Rev. W. M. Jerald (Marion Association—South Carolina), E. R. Michael (Three Forks Association), Dr. S. L. Perkins (Brushy Mountain Association), Rev. G. A. Martin (Alleghany Association), Rev. H. L. Coffey (New River Association—Virginia), Rev. J. C. Brown (Middle District Association—Baltimore, Maryland).

6. By motion the reports on Christian Education and Biblical Recorder were interchanged.

7. Appointment of Committees: 1. Finance: Rev. H. M. Winkler, Rev. C. W. Sexton, A. Dell Goodman; 2. To appoint Executive Committee: J. W. King, Rev. P. H. Haire, W. H. McMillian; 3. Religious Exercises: Delegates and Pastor of Beaver Creek Church; 4. Resolutions: Ira T. Johnston, David Harless, Rev. W. E. Denny; 5. Place and Preacher for next Association: Delegates from New River, Healing Springs, Apple Grove, and Chestnut Hill, Rev. T. A. Farmer, Chairman; 6. Committee to take proper steps to dispose of Jefferson Church: Rev. T. A. Farmer, Rev. H. M. Winkler, Rev. P. E. Downs.

8. By motion, the action of Association pertaining to the delegates bringing their letters from their respective churches on the first day of the Association was rescinded.

9. Discussion on Biblical Recorder by Rev. B. K. Mason, Rev. H. M. Winkler, Rev. P. H. Haire. Report to be handed in later.

10. Adjournment for lunch.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

1. Devotional by Rev. Arthur Ashley.

2. By motion each church was given one minute to state the most significant accomplishment during the last associational year. Fifteen minutes were given for discussion relative to the printing of Fletcher's Baptist History, after which a canvass was made and fifty persons gave their names as guarantors to the printer.

3. Report on State Missions, Report on Foreign Missions, Report on Christian Education, discussed by Rev. G. A. Martin and adopted.

4. Sermon by Rev. C. W. Sexton. Text: Psalms 87: 6.

5. By motion the Constitution was amended to the effect that the Moderator and the Clerk and Treasurer elected at this Association serve through the next sitting of the body.

6. By motion the program for Friday night was called in.

7. Homes for messengers assigned.

8. Adjournment—Prayer by Rev. W. E. Denny.

SATURDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 1

1. Devotional by Rev. G. C. Burkett.
2. Minutes of Friday's proceedings read and approved.
3. A motion was made by P. E. Downs that an Executive Promotion Committee be elected for the Association to be composed of one member from each church together with the ordained ministers of the Association and the Moderator and Clerk. The motion was carried. The function of this Committee is spiritual rather than executive and is not to be confused with the Associational Executive Committee.
4. A Committee was appointed to proof read the minutes before they go to the printer. Committee: Ira T. Johnston and P. E. Downs.
5. Reception of Visitors: I. G. Greer, General Manager of the Mills Home was seated with the body.
6. Report on Orphanage, Report on Hospitals, discussed by I. G. Greer and adopted.
7. Pastoral Support discussed by David Harless, W. H. McMillian, and Rev. P. H. Haire. Report to be handed in later.
8. Offering taken to assist Sturgills church in their Building Programme.
9. Sermon by Rev. P. E. Downs. Text: Acts 1: 8.
10. Adjournment—Prayer by I. G. Greer.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

1. Devotional by Rev. G. L. Trivett.
2. Moved that the business of the Association be finished on Saturday and Sunday given wholly to preaching.
3. Report on Old Minister's Relief, Report on Temperance, Report on Sunday Schools, discussed by David Harless, W. M. Jerald, P. E. Downs, B. H. Duncan and adopted.
4. Report on B. Y. P. U. discussed by W. M. Jerald and adopted.
5. W. M. U. discussed by Minnie Haire. Report to be handed in later.
6. Report of Finance Committee. Report adopted. Report on digest of Church Letters. Report adopted.
7. A motion was made and carried that the Clerk make a record of the amounts pledged to Hospitals and Missions (Co-operative Program) and Orphanage from the Blackboard.
8. Report on place and Preacher for next Association. Report adopted. Report on Resolutions. Report adopted. Report in Regard to W. M. Fields byExecutive Committee read and approved.

Executive-Promtion Committee: A. P. Howell, J. O. Goodman, Elmer Morris, D. Frank Shoemake, F. C. Nye, W. F. Barker, J. G. Welch, J. C. Greene, D. H. Burgess, E. C. Eller, J. C. Jones, Isom Sturgill, Walter Houck, A. Dell Goodman, W. A. Campbell, Bert Dixon, J. F. Phipps, Lawson Edwards, J. H. Wagoner, W. D. Brown, J. E. Cheek, Vester Reedy, John Goss, W. H. Darnell, J. C. Goodman, W. R. Brown, Felix Houck, W. H. McMillian, Gordon Severt, Ira T. Johnston, C. E. Howell, Charles

Hurley, Jackson Barker, J. F. Dillard, Lee Waddell, P. S. Bumgarner, J. H. Ashley, Vyrus Miller.

These together with the Moderator and Clerk of the Association and all the pastors and preachers in the Association constitute the full committee.

9. Adjournment—Prayer by Rev. H. M. Winkler.

SUNDAY'S SESSION

1. Convened at 10:00 A. M.
2. Sermon by Rev. Arthur Ashley.
3. Sermon by Rev. T. A. Farmer.

Adjourned to meet in 1935 with Healing Springs

PROF. J. C. GOODMAN, Moderator,
W. A. CAMPBELL, Clerk.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

"Thus it is written, that Christ should suffer, and rise again from the dead the third day; and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name unto all nations, beginning from Jerusalem." Thus spoke Jesus on the Day of the Ascension to the 120. In our work of Home Missions we are endeavoring to accomplish this very thing and win those to Christ who come to us from across the seas, the foreign-speaking people, the Indians, whom the white man found upon coming to America, the Negroes who were introduced to America in the bondage of human slavery. Truly the favor of God has rested upon the labors of our faithful missionaries. They report 1,701 baptisms and 1,096 other conversions, making a total of 2,797 wont to Christ in the last year.

Our Home Mission work among the foreign-speaking people is divided into two general fields. First, the work among people born in other lands, the Mexicans, the Italians, Cubans in the United States, European peoples in Southern Illinois and our larger cities, and the Chinese. Second, work among native American peoples speaking a language other than English, chiefly the French of Southern Louisiana and the Spanish Americans of New Mexico. These are fields of great magnitude. The fruits of the year's work are inspiring.

The work in Cuba has been active and aggressive during most of the year in all of the churches. While the present extent of the mission field in Panama is the Canal Zone and the two terminal cities with immediate surrounding territory.

Among the Jews we have but one missionary, Jacob Gartenhaus, a son of "Jacob" himself. During the past year he tells us that he has been faced with unlimited opportunities for the presentation of the message of life, hope ,and salvation through the Messiah to His people. There is a great contrast today in his work when compared with it in the beginning. At first the doors were shut and their hearts steeled against the message. To them the missionary was an imposter, a traitor to the faith; now they address him as "friend" and "brother," whereas in the past it

was a rare thing to see Jewish people at his services. It would be difficult to estimate in actual figures the number of conversions. At the start it was a very rare thing to hear of Jewish conversions, but now scarcely a week passes without the news coming from the remote corners of our territory of some Israielite who has found his Saviour, and their number will increase as Christian people reach out a saving hand to them.

Respectfully submitted,

P. E. DOWNS.

REPORT ON BIBLICAL RECORDER

At each Annual Session of the Ashe Association, we religiously read and adopt a report on the Biblical Recorder, praising it as a paper and pledging to it our fealty and support: yet, mighty, mighty few of us take it, read it, or aid it in any way whatever.

It is true that we have been going through a serious depression, but if the truth were known, most of us spend far more on non-essentials than the cost of a year's subscription to the Biblical Recorder.

The Recorder is a worthy paper. One must have the Recorder to be an informed Baptist. So let us support the paper and show that the reports praising it really mean something. The Recorder should be in every Baptist home in North Carolina.

J. O. GOODMAN.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

When the North Carolina Baptist State Convention was organized one hundred four years ago, it had a twofold objective; namely, the education of young men called of God to the Gospel Ministry and to preach the Gospel in the destitute places and to co-operate in the promotion of missions in general to the ends of all the earth. How well this has been done must be viewed in the light of the not more than 7,680 Baptists—white and black—who believed in progress and missions a hundred and four years ago and the nearly 450,000 white Baptist today alone represented in our State Convention. We must remember, however, that "there remaineth yet very much land to be possessed." More than 750,000 of Gospel age within the borders of our state who are not affiliated with any church and over 10,000 of these within our own association. This is a Baptist responsibility that we Baptists dare not shirk save at our own peril.

The message which Jesus sent to John the Baptist while the latter was in prison was significant. John was in doubt about the Messiahship of Jesus. In his distress he sent a message to Jesus: "Art Thou He that should come, or look we for another?" In reply Jesus did not argue, but rather directed John's disciples to say to him: "Tell John what things ye have seen and heard, how that the blind see, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, to the poor the Gospel is preached."

For these more than one hundred years the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, through the agency of State Missions, has been attempting to preach the Gospel to the poor. Hundreds of churches, while in their infancy and so unable to support themselves, have been aided by the State Mission Board, and even now 126 churches are being helped with a budget reduced to about one-third of what it was a few years ago. In a changing state all our churches must become more vital in the life of our people. They must be the power houses from which radiate influences that will touch every phase of our common life. The power of a church to actually influence its members is in most instances in direct ratio to its interest in and support of Missions. A church that cannot vision its task at a distance is not likely to vision its task in its own community. All of the objects which we cherish and support are indebted to the foundations laid in years agone by State Missions. We need a revival, a revitalization of the church membership in all of our churches in Spiritual Living and Scriptural Giving.

In addition to "preaching the Gospel to the poor," State Missions maintains a Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Department second to none, it is believed, in the whole South. Moreover, a chaplain, Rev. Wayne W. Williams, is being supported at Oteen; and since the Home Mission Board, due to financial conditions, has found it necessary to curtail work among the Indians, State Missions are now supporting entirely the work among the Indians in Robeson and Swain counties. We must, at the earliest moment possible, undertake some work among our Negro Baptists.

We owe less today on State Missions than we have in years. If we can get a worthy offering this fall we will come to the end of the year without any debt on State Missions.

But we must go forward. The needs are pressing. There are at least fifty groups of churches in real need of assistance. There are other urgent needs, but all these needs must wait upon our generosity. Let us, therefore, out of gratitude to God for His innumerable blessings and in view of these challenging opportunities, make a great offering this fall in all of our churches for State Missions.

Respectfully submitted,

P. E. DOWNS.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

Statistics are rarely ever impressive except to mathematicians, research workers, and statisticians themselves. Your committee does not belong to either class. Besides, any statistics which might be incorporated in this report would only emphasize our shame. Many of our churches could lay no possible claim to the name of Missionary Baptist Churches, if the divine writer was right who spoke of people showing their faith by their works. If faith without works is dead, most of our churches are dead so far as any missionary spirit is concerned.

What proportion of our Churches made any contribution to Foreign Missions last year? What proportion of our Church members made any contribution to Foreign Missions last year or ever

made any contribution to this cause? Perhaps an answer would stamp most of us as anti-missionary in practice if not in belief. Should we not be honest about this thing? We can not honestly claim to believe what we do not practice.

Perhaps we all ought to take at least some small part in missions or take the word "Missionary" from our Mast-head. As to what our part shall be, are we willing for Him to judge who said "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature"? We must either accept Him or deny Him.

IRA T. JOHNSTON, Committee.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The history of education in all countries, in all ages, and among all peoples, reveals the fact that the Church or some other religious order has been responsible for the introduction and maintanence of a system of education. Hence, all education one time was Christian education. The first schools of which there remains any records were connected with the Temple. The priests and scribes were the teachers. Until very late in our history, education in the United States was entirely in the hands of the various religious organizations. Governor Aycock, J. Y. Joyner, and others of our own time saw the completion of a state school systen in North Carolina. For many years after state systems were set up religion, honest citizenship, and various other virtues were emphasized not only in the schools but at home as well.

The speed with which a new era dawned upon us wrought many changes in our views as to the purpose of education. Ways of making a good living without work, get-rich-quick theories, and many other unhealthy notions were over emphasized by parents and teachers, and as a result, the curriculum was changed to meet what we thought the needs of pupils in a new economic era. Many of these changes were needed and went a long way in adding to the comforts and conveniences of life, but we have drifted too far and have over emphasized the dollar at the cost of honor and self-respect.

The task of giving Christian Education to the American youth is a stupendous task; were Southern Baptists compelled to provide for all the youth of their constituency, they would have to increase the schools and equipment much beyond their present holdings. Hence, no religious body can hope to provide a system of education sufficient for the youth of America or even all the youth of their own constituency.

But there are two things that can be done. We can work for better state schools in which the students are taught to believe greatly in a divine pre-determined plan for their lives, the duty and necessity to think and work for themselves and to do the will and work of the Divine One. Second, we can strive to see that the leaders of our churches and our Kingdom work are educated in Christian schools.

Southern Baptists have about ninety-seven schools and colleges in the south. Eleven of these are in North Carolina. Many of these are struggling with debt, others need money for new and better equipment.

We recommend that Baptists, so far as possible, patronize Baptist Colleges and schools, that tuition, gifts and free-will offerings be solicited occasionally for our denominational schools, and that we lead the field in a movement away from Atheism and other things that confuse the minds of the American youth.

Respectfully submitted,

LESTER W. BLEVINS.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE

A deep feeling of gratitude comes to me as I submit to the Ashe Baptist Association this Report on Orphanage. How generous and grateful our people are to the boys and girls of our state. While we have not given as we might have Mr. Covington's report of the operating expenses of the Mills Home for the last year shows a balance on the credit side of more than $12,000. This report shows that we gave generously of our fruits and other products of the mountains.

Mr. Lovelace's report shows that there were 488 children enrolled in the different departments of the school during the year.

The report of Miss Hattie Edwards, Case Worker of the Mills Home shows that there were 1019 children cared for during the year.

Another report to the superintendent shows that there was not a child sent to the Home from our Association.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. PHIPPS.

REPORT ON HOSPITAL

Through these years of depression and suffering our Hospital has rendered a magnificent service to our needy sick, answering every call and giving life and health to thousands who had no means, and would have suffered or perhaps died had they not found help in our institution.

The Hospital has cared for over ten thousand charity patients and part pay patients, in the ten years of its ministry, and this year (1934) the number will reach more than two thousand.

The Mothers' Day offering which amounts to about $11,500.00 and the Duke endowment amounting to about $9,000.00 or a total of $20,500.00 is not sufficient to pay for $45,000.00 worth of charity work. It just can't be done.

The Hospital will have to cut down on charity work or receive larger support if they are to care for the ever increasing number of charity and part pay patients which are daily applying for admittance.

Helping folks to get well is the job of the Hospital. But in order to do this the institution must have the whole-hearted support of the churches.

The Hospital has asked our churches sending free patients to raise the sum of $1.50 per day to supplement the mothers day

offering in the care of their patients, if this is done the Hospital will be able to carry on in its great ministry of healing.

Therefore we recommend that the pastors and delegates go back to their churches and see that this is done.

We recommend also that all the churches in the Ashe Association put on a Mothers' Day program, and make a greater effort this year in helping the needy sick than ever before.

For these, our brothers and sisters for whom Jesus died. let's do it. Surely we will not fail them nor disappoint Him.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. W. F. BARKER.

REPORT ON PASTORAL SUPPORT

Last year there were reported in the churches of the Ashe Association three thousand, three hundred and ninety-nine (3399) members. These members paid the pastors of the Churches two thousand, two hundred twenty-one dollars and thirty cents ($2,221.30) or an average of about sixty-five cents per member. That is barely over five cents per month. Pastors come cheap. It seems that every church member should be able to pay at least ten cents per month or one dollar and twenty cents per year.

Our pastors must live. Next year let us try to be able to make a much better report than we have made this year. If we cannot give money, perhaps there are other things that we can give. Our pastors are human beings like we are and can use anything we can use. Let us do our best, sacrifice a little and it is certain that what we sacrifice in material things the Lord will make it up to us in Spiritual gains.

Respectfully submitted,

CLARKE HOUCK.

REPORT ON OLD MINISTERS' RELIEF

The relief board is the agency by which we aid our aged and disabled ministers and their dependents. Your committee is without data of the number of aged ministers and their widows and children aided during the past year, or the cost of same, but it is safe to say that the number aided and the amount of aid furnished the board by our churches is less than their needs. However, any aid is better than none.

Let us ask ourselves this question in all seriousness and candor, is the present lack of young men entering the Baptist Ministry due, in any way, to the meager aid give to our active ministers, and the small aid and appreciation given them when their usefulness ceases? If this be so our duty individually and collectively is plain. We read in New Testament that "God has ordained that they who preach the Gospel shall live of the Gospel."

Let us realize our duty and do it.

H. A. ELLER.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

With the repeal of the Eighteenth Admendment and the legalizing of beer in North Carolina, the use of alcoholic drinks is increasing. Much to the gratification of our dry forces, North Carolina voted against the repeal of our dry laws by a majority of 184,000, but politicians and other forces both in and outside the state are working hard for the repeal of the Turlington Act, and unless our next legislature is composed of uncompromising drys, our State Prohibition Laws will be blotted out. The Revenue Department of the Federal Government located in Greensboro has announced that 250 Federal licenses to sell liquor have been issued in North Carolina, and this has taken place in spite of the fact that during the campaign for repeal of the Eighteenth Admendment, the Federal Government promised protection to the dry states.

Since beer was legalized, the dangers on the highways from drunken drivers have greatly increased, and Virginia, a sister state, reports that since liquor was legalized in her borders, druken drivers have increased more than fifty percent and that bootlegging is increasing also.

Realizing that alcohol is one of the greatest evils with which our people have to contend, that it wrecks homes, takes food and clothing from innocent children, and destroys its victims physically, mentally, morally and spiritually, your committee recommends the following.

1. That the parents be urged to diligently teach their children the ruinous effects of the use of alcohol,

2. That the ministers and Sunday School teachers be appealed to for assistance in this teaching,

3. And that the Ashe Association go on record as standing firmly for the Turlington Act.

Respectfully submitted,

H. M. WINKLER.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Recognizing that the Sunday School is the necessity of the Church and remembering that the impressions of childhood are lasting, we deem it the duty of each pastor to urge upon our people the importance of the Sunday School. We deem it to be the duty of the parents to not merely send their children to Sunday School but to bring them in order that they may be taught the story of the Cross and the doctrines of our Church. As we believe that the larger percent of our church members came from a Sunday School, we recommend that each church in this Association strive to have and maintain a good Sunday School.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. T. A. FARMER.

B. Y. P. U. REPORT

The B. Y. P. U. Convention met with Grassy Creek Church, August 19, 1934 and rendered a program on the general theme of Perseverance. The Assembly then elected the following officers for the coming year's work.

D. C. Severt, President, Othello, N. C.; Mrs. W. C. LaRue, Vice-President, Grassy Creek, N. C.; District Leaders: 1. A. D. Goodman, Nettle Knob, N. C.; 2. Arlene Blackburn, Grassy Creek, N C.; 3. Clark Houck, West Jefferson, N. C.; Sam Campbell, West Jefferson, N. C.; Chorister, Donald Denny, Bina, N. C.; Pianist, Mrs. F. C. Nye, Grassy Creek, N. C.; Junior and Intermediate Leader, Mrs. Wick Van Noy, West Jefferson, N. C.

Respectfully submitted,

D. C. SEVERT.

REPORT ON PLACE AND PREACHER

Your committee on place and preacher for next session submit the following: Place—Healing Springs Church, Crumpler, North Carolina; Preacher—Rev. L. W. Blevins, Alternate—Rev. C. W. Sexton.

T. A. FARMER, Chairman.

REPORT IN REGARD TO W. M. FIELDS

We, the Special Committee, recommend that the Association drop W. M. Fields' name from the ranks of the Ashe Baptist Association.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. DENNEY, Chairman.

W. M. U. REPORT

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Ashe Association met at Beaver Creek Church June 16, 1934 The following program was rendered:

General Theme: Recapture the Rapture of Prayer.
Hymn: All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name
Devotional: Rev. W. E. Denney
Address of Welcome: Mrs. J. O. Goodman
Response: Mrs. C. R. Triplett
Music: Old Fields Choir

Roll Call of Churches: Brief reports were given of the various circles of the W. M. U.

Prayer, Personal service and Mission Study: Mrs. P. E. Downs
Superintendent's Report
Special Music: Mrs. J. M. Prevette
Plans for United Prayer: Mrs. W. G. Vannoy
Recapture the Rapture of Prayer: Mrs. Edna R. Harris

Noon Recess

Devotional: Rev. P. E. Downs
Knowledge Stimulates Prayer: Mrs. B. E. Reeves

Heck Memorial: Mrs. P. E. Downs
The Young People: Mrs. J. M. Prevette
Business: 1. Election of officers: Superintendent: Mrs. Ralph Parsons; Associate Superintendent: Mrs. J. O. Goodman; Secretary-Treasurer: Mrs. Wick Vannoy; Young Peoples, Leader: Minnie Haire; Stewardship Chairman: Blanche Hartsog; Personal Service Chairman: Mrs. B. E. Reeves; Mission Study Chairman: Mrs. J. M. Prevette.
Adjournment: To meet next year with the West Jefferson Baptist Church.

Respectfully submitted,
MINNIE HAIRE.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

Received for printing of Associational minutes and for the clerk of the Association $76.29.

H. M. WINKLER,
C. W. SEXTON,
A. DELL GOODMAN.

REPORT ON DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS

Members last year, 3315; Baptisms, 173; present membership, 3399; Sunday School enrollment, 2665; Average attendance, 1513; Number of B. Y. P. U's., 6; Enrollment, 120; Number of W. M. U's., and organizations, 11; Enrollment, 149; Pastor's salaries, $2221.30; To benevolences, $890.49. Total given, $5009.03.

A. D. GOODMAN.

RESOLUTIONS OF ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, 1934

Be it resolved by the Ashe Baptist Association in it s forty-eighth annual session:

1. That we extent our heartfelt thanks to the people at Beaver Creek for their open hearted hospitality and Christian fellowship.
2. That we pledge to our officials and the causes of our denomination our support and co-operation.
3. That we set as our objective this year the building up of every individual church in the Association so that delinquents may be reclaimed, new souls added to the Kingdom, and every church may report at the next session if possible an increase in membership and gifts in proportion to its ability to all the causes of the denomination.

Respectfully submitted,
W. E. DENNEY,
DAVID HARLESS,
IRA T. JOHNSTON, Committee.

PROGRAM OF ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Friday Morning, August 30, 1935
10:00 Introductory Sermon.....Rev. L. W. Blevins
10:30 Reception of Churches and Visitors
10:45 Appointment of Committees
11:15 Report on Sunday Schools and Report on W. M. U.
12:00 Adjournment for lunch—Everbody bring baskets
Friday Afternoon
1:15 Cooperative Program. 1. Report on State Missions, 2. Report on Home Missions, 3. Report on Foreign Missions, 4. Report on Christian Education
2:15 Report on Biblical Recorder
2:30 Sermon.....Rev. H. M. Winkler
3:00 Miscellaneous
3:15 Announcement of homes for Messengers and Visitors
3:30 Adjournment
Saturday Morning, August 31, 1935
9:30 Devotional.....Rev. T. J. Cockerham
10:00 Report on Orphanage
11:00 Report on Pastors' Salaries
11:30 Sermon.....Rev. J. O. Spencer
12:15 Adjournment for lunch—Everybody bring baskets
Saturday Afternoon
1:30 Report on Old Ministers' Relief
2:00 Report on Temperance
2:15 Report on B. Y. P. U.
2:30 Report of Local Committees
3:00 Adjournment
Sunday Morning, September 1, 1935
11:00 Sermons.....Rev. W. E. Denny and Rev. T. A. Farmer
Night sessions to be arranged by Committee on Religious Exercises.
Special music by the Cook-Harless Quartet on Friday and Sunday.

ASHE BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

The Ashe Missionary Baptist Sunday School Convention met with Bald Mountain Church, Saturday, July 28, 1934 at 2 P. M.
1. Devotionals conducted by Rev. T. J. Cockerham
2. Sermon by Rev. W. E. Denny. Text: John 3: 1-2
3. On motion the election of officers was deferred until Sunday and W. H. McMillian was appointed Secretary, pro tem.
4. The value of the Convention and Sunday Schools was discussed by Rev. P. E. Downs, Rev. W. E. Denny, and Rev. T. A. Farmer.
5. Adjournment—Prayer by Rev. G. C. Burkett
Saturday Night
Sermon by Rev. P. E. Downs—"The Unchanging Christ"

Sunday Morning

1. Devotionals by Rev. G. C. Burkett

2. Election of officers: Rev. T. A. Farmer elected President; Rev. Lester Blevins elected Secretary

3. Appointment of Committees: 1. To name field Workers: M. F. Denny, A. D. Goodman, B. H. Duncan; 2. Time, place, and preacher for next convention: W. H. McMillian, G. C. Burkett, W. C. Trivett.

4. Singing by Old Field's Choir.

5. "How to Overcome Difficulties in Sunday School," by Prof. B. H. Duncan.

6. Sermon by Rev. Lester Blevins, Text: Ephesians 6: 11.

7. Adjournment—Prayer by Rev. Arthur Ashley.

8. Report of Committee to appoint Field Workers. District No. 1—W. E. Denny, field worker; Grassy Creek, Little Helton, Pleasant Branch, Sturgills, Healing Springs, New River, Pleasant Home Tuckerdale, Landmark, Phoenix, Pleasant Valley; District No. II—A. D. Gooman, field worker: Bald Mountain, Big Flatts, Mission Home, Pilot Mountain, Beaver Creek, Laurel Knob, Obids, Valley Home, Libery Grove, Old Fields; District No. III—E. Z. Sexton, field worker: Apple Grove, Clifton, Peak Valley, Baptist Home, Long Branch, Pleasant Hill, Big Laurel, Mountain View, Sabbath Home; District No. IV—Rev. T. J. Cockerham, field worker: Bristol, Friendship, Oak Hill, Warrensville, Buffalo, Glendale, Orion, West Jefferson, Chestnut Hill, Liberty Hill, Smethport.

9. All Churches request to send additional minute money to Association to pay for printing report of Sunday School Convention in the Associational minutes.

10. Report of Committee on Resolutions. Report Adopted.

11. "Should Evangelism be Taught in the Sunday Schools" discussed by W. H. McMillian and Rev. Arthur Ashley.

12. Adjournment—Prayer by Rev. W. E. Denny.

REV. T. A. FARMER, President,

REV. LESTER BLEVINS, Secretary.

REPORT OF TREASURER

Received from Fiance Committee	$80.25
Paid for printing Minutes	$60.00
For postage	$10.00
Total	$70.00
Balance	$10.25

Respectfully submitted,

W. A. CAMPBELL, Clerk and Treasurer.

The churches reported to the association that they would undertake to raise during 1935 for Missions, the Hospital, and the Orphanage the amounts indicated after their names. It is hoped that those churches that did not indicate any definite amount will not fail to do at least as much as they did in 1934 or better.

CO-OPERATIVE PROGRAM

	Missions and Hospital	Orphanage
Apple Grove	$ 3.00	$ 2.00
Bald Mountain		
Baptist Home		
Beaver Creek	10.00	5.00
Bethel	2o.00	15.00
Big Flatts	20.00	5.00
Pig Laurel	2.00	1.00
Bristol	3.00	1.50
Buffalo	10.00	5.00
Chestnut Hill	6.00	2.00
Clifton	2.00	1.00
Friendship	15.00	5.00
Glendale		
Grassy Creek	60.00	10.00
Healing Springs	15.00	10.00
Jefferson		
Landmark	15.00	5.00
Laurel Knob	25.00	5.00
Liberty Grove	15.00	2.00
Little Helton		
Long Branch	5.00	10.00
Mission Home	10.00	5.00
Mountain View		
New River	35.00	10.00
Oak Hill	2.00	1.00
Old Fields	15.00	6.00
Obids		
Orion	10.00	3.00
Peak Valley		
Phoenix	30.00	25.00
Pilot Mountain	5.00	5.00
Pleasant Branch	2.00	1.00
Pleasant Hill	2.00	5.00
Pleasant Home	6.00	3.00
Pleasant Valley		
Sabbath Home		
Smethport		
Sturgills	2.00	1.00
Tuckerdale	3.00	5.00
Valley Home	2.00	1.00
Warrensville	5.00	2.00
West Jefferson	75.00	30.00
	$435.00	$187.50

OBITUARIES

BROWN—Ora Brown was born April 23, 1886 and departed this life November 19, 1933. She was married to Wilda Brown and to this union were born six children, five of whom survive her. She joined the Long Branch Baptist Church in 1923 and was a faithful member until her death.

HOUSER—George Washington Houser was born June 9, 1870 and died June 25, 1934. He was married to Callie Sheets and to this union were born six children. One daughter preceded him to the great beyond. Several years ago Brother Houser professed a hope in Christ and joined the Bristol Church. He was a faithful member of that church until his death.

ROLAND—Romay Pope Roland was born April 19, 1916 and died May 27, 1934. She was married to Oren Roland, and to this union was born one child. She professed fait in Christ and joined the Bristol Baptist Church in January 1934; she was a faithful member until her death. She is survived by her father, husband, and four sisters.

SEXTON—Reuben Sexton was born in October 1851 and died August 23, 1934. He was married to Virginia Barker in 1883 and to this union were born fifteen children. He professed faith in Christ at an early age and joined the church at Old Silas Creek. Later he moved his membership to Landmark and in 1902 he became a member of Long Branch Church. He was a faithful member and served in the capacity of deacon until his death.

TUCKER—Victor Tucker was born February 20, 1888 and died October 13, 1933. He was married to Bonnie Blevins and to this union were born two daughters. He professed a hope in Christ and joined Apple Grove Baptist Church in 1931; he was ordained a deacon in 1932 in which capacity he served until his death.

JOHNSON—Lona Mae Denny Johnson was born May 7, 1913 and died January 4, 1934. She was married to Guy Johnson March 8, 1933 and to this union was born one child which has since gone to join its mother. Lona professed faith in Christ about four years ago and was baptized into Landmark Church, where she lived a faithful member and true to her profession until death.

SAWYER—Herbert Elray Sawyer was born August 15, 1919 and died November 25, 1933. Although he was not a member of any church he was faithful in his Sunday School attendance; he lead his class in reading the Bible. He will be sadly missed in the Sunday School by his classmates and at home by his father, mother, and sister.

CEARLEY—Nella Fay Cearley was born January 31, 1919 and died March 6, 1934. Fay made a profession of faith in Christ in December 1931 and was baptized into the fellowship of Pleasant Valley Baptist Church. Fay was a good Christian girl and took great delight in going to church and Sunday School. Her father preceded her in death in February 1925.

GREENE—Jake Greene was born December 11, 1869 and died April 6, 1934. He was married to Mary Greene. He accepted Christ in early life and united with Laurel Springs Baptist Church. He served that church in capacity of deacon. Later he moved his membership to Liberty Grove where he remained a faithful member until his death.

DARNELL—Malissia Frances Darnell was born January 27, 1882 and died June 8, 1934. She was married to W. H. Darnell in 1907; to this union were born two daughters. Mrs. Darnell professed faith in Christ at an early age and joined the church at Apple Grove. Later she attached herself to the Windfall Baptist Church and remained a member there until Tuckerdale Church was organized. She became one of the charter members there and remained a devoted and loyal member until her death.

SEVERT—Eli Calvin Severt was born March 24, 1857 and died February 18, 1934. He was married to Amanda Atwood in 1879 and to this union were born five children two of which preceded him to the great beyond. He professed faith in Christ in 1889 and joined the Presbyterian Church. Later he joined the Missionary Baptist Church and was faithful until his death.

BOWLIN—Fannie Bowlin was born October 2, 1872 and died February 22, 1934. She was married to John Bowlin in 1893 and to this union were born six children; two preceded her in death. She was converted at an early age and joined Glendale Baptist Church where she remained a faithful member until death.

(Due to lack of space the obituaries could not be printed as submitted.—THE CLERK.)

TABLE I—CHURCH MEMBERSHIP, ETC. ASHE ASSOCIATION FOR SEPTEMBER, 1934.

CHURCHES	Is It in a Villiage, City, Town, or Country? / When Constituted?	PASTORS AND POST OFFICES	Days of Meeting	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP									Weekly Prayer Meetings	Revivals During Year / Lord's Sup. During Yr. / Receiving Baptist Paper		
				Membership Last Year	GAINS: Baptisms	GAINS: Letters	GAINS: Statements	GAINS: Restorations	LOSSES: Letters	LOSSES: Deaths	LOSSES: Exclusions	LOSSES: Erasures	Present Members				
Apple Grove	C	Lee Howell, Husk, N. C.		61	2				4	1			58				
Bald Mountain	C—1910	G. C. Burkett, Jefferson, N. C.	2nd	94					10	1			83			1	
Baptist Home	C—1890	T. A. Farmer, Lansing, N. C.	3rd	79					1	1			77		1	1	
Beaver Creek	C—1888	H. M. Winkler, Todd, N. C.	2nd	66	5	5			4				72	Yes	1		
Bethel	C—1851	G. L. Trivette, West Jefferson, N. C.	2nd	160	8	2			1			86	83	No	1	1	
Big Flatts	C—1909	G. L. Trivette, West Jefferson, N. C.	3rd	97		1				1		48	48	Yes	2	1	1
Big Laurel	C—1909	H. M. Bennett, Apple Grove, N. C.	1st	53									53				1
Bristol	C—1888	Arthur Ashley, Warrensville, N. C.	1st	64	20	2				2			84	Yes	1	1	0
Buffalo	C—1869	T. A. Farmer, Lansing, N. C.	4th	145						1			144	Yes	1		
Chestnut Hill	C—1928	Arthur Ashley, Warrensville	3nd	47		6			2		5		47	Yes	0	1	0
Clifton	C—1923	Arthur Ashely, Warrenville, N. C.	3rd	42	5					1			46	No	1		1

Friendship—C—1880—W. E. Denny, Grassy Creek, N. C.	3rd	151	4	1			4				152	Yes	1	1				
Glendale—C—1914—T. J. Cockerham, Crumpler	3rd	57					1	2	2		52	No	0	0	0			
Grassy Creek—C—1927—J. O. Spencer, Grassy Creek, N. C.	3rd	112	1								113	No	1	1	2			
Healing Springs—C—1888—J. O. Spences, Grassy Creek	1st	179	5	2			4	2			180	No	1	1				
Land Mark—C—1856—W. E. Denney, Grassy Creek, N. C.	4th	200	12	2		1	1	1			213	No	1	1				
Laurel Knob—C—1912—H. M. Winkler, Todd, N. C.	4th	104	4	1			1				108	No	1	1				
Liberty Grove—C—1916—H. M. Winkler, Todd, N. C.	3rd	93	3					1			95							
Liberty Hill—C—1907—T. M. Hayes, Nathans Creek, N. C.	3rd	34									34	No	1	1				
Little Helton—C—1903—E. A. Eller, Grassy Creek, N. C.	2nd	61	1			1					63	Yes	1	1				
Long Branch—C—1889—T. A. Farmer, Lansing, N. C.	1st	55	25		4		2	2			80	No	1	1				
Mission Home—C—1892—H. M. Winkler, Todd, N. C.	1st	94		1		1	1	1			94	Yes	1	1	1			
Mountain View—C—1897—H. M. Bennett, Apple Grove	3rd	64	2				1				65	Yes	1	1	0			
New River—C—1889—J. O. Spencer, Grassy Creek	4th	83	8	6			6				91	No	1	1				
Oak Hill—C—E. Z. Sexton, Lansing	3rd	37	3	1			1		1		39	Yes	1	1				
Obids—C—1903—G. C. Burkett, Jefferson, N. C.	1st	65					2				63	No	1	1	0			
Old Fields—C—1803—G. L. Trivette, West Jefferson, N. C.	4th	166	10							94	82	Yes	1	1				
Orion—C—1911—E. Z. Sexton, Lansing, N. C.	1st	61	20	1							82	No	0	1				
Peak Valley—C—1892—J. R. Trivette, Mabel, N. C.	4th	26				4					30	No	0	1				
Phoenix—C—1908—W. E. Denney, Grassy Creek, N. C.	3nd	103	10	2		1		2	1		113	Yes	1	1	2			
Pilot Mountain—C—1889—H. M. Winkler, Todd, N. C.	3rd	71		1	2	1		1			74	No	1					
Pleasant Branch—C—1931—L. W. Blevins, Grassy Creek	2nd	31	8								39	Yes	1	1				
Pleasant Hill—C—1894—Preston Wyatt, White Top, Va.	4th	51					9		1	1	40	No	1		0			
Pleasant Home—C—1870—E. A. Eller, Grassy Creek	4th	102		1			6	2	1		94	Yes	1	1	0			
Pleasant Valley—C—1926—E. A. Eller, Grassy Creek, N. C.	1st	78	3				1	1			79	No	1	1				
Sabbath Home—C—1932—W. E. Denney, Grassy Creek, 2 & 4	th	43									43							
Smethport—V—1921—Arthur Ashley, Warrensville, N. C.	3rd	77						1			76	No						
Sturgills—C—1933—C. L. Styke, White Top, Va.	1st	11	2	3							16	Yes	1					
Tuckerdale—V—1915—E. A. Eller, Grassy Creek, N. C.	1st	77	3	3			1	2	1		79	No	1	1	0			
Valley Home—C—1916—M. D. Blackburn, West Jefferson	1st						14				61							
Warrensville—V—1929—H. L. Coffey, Volney, Va.	3rd	45	1	6	1	2	2	1			52	No	1	1				
West Jefferson—T—1917—P. E. Downs, W. Jefferson, 1, 2, 3.	4th	206	8	2			4	1	8		203	Yes	1	1	6			
	3	145	173	49	7	11	83	28	20	229	3399							

TABLE II—SUNDAY SCHOOLS OF ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, STATE OF N. C., SEPT. 1934

CHURCHES, SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST OFFICES	Beginners 3-5 Years	Primaries 6-8 Years	Juniors 9-12 Years	Intermediates 13-16 Yrs.	Young People 17-24 Yrs.	Adults 25 Years and Up	Cradle Roll Under 3 Yrs.	Officers and Teachers	Total Enrollment	Average Attendance	Is the School Graded?	Is It Stanard A-1?	Teachers with Diplomas
Apple Grove—A. P. Howell, White Top, Va.									58				
Bald Mountain—Rexford Campbell, W. Jefferson	15		12	18		15		6	71	33	No	No	1
Baptist Home													
Beaver Creek—Spencer Goodman, West Jefferson	7	7	14	11	8	15		6	68	30	No		
Bethel—Mrs. R. C. Parsons, West Jefferson	8			12	14	12		5	46	24	No	No	2
Big Flatts—H. V. Walker, Fleetwood	8	7	17	36		24		14	106	43	Yes	No	2
Big Laurel													
Bristol—Wiley Blackburn, Jefferson		23		23		44		5	95	55			
Buffalo—R. S. Harless, Smethport	5	12	14	10	15	35		8	99	42	No	No	0
Chestnut Hill—W. H. McMillan, Crumpler	15		15		35	30		5	100	60	No	No	0
Clifton													
Friendship—David Burkett, Jefferson								6	105	62	No		
Glendale													
Grassy Creek—F. C. Nye, Grassy Creek		6	9	13	22	20		9	70	40	No	No	3

Healing Springs, J. F. Phillips, Jefferson								5	70	70	No	No	0
Landmark—W. W. Blackburn, Grassy Creek								6	75	50	No	No	1
Laurel Knob—G. S. Holman, Todd		7	10	12	10	8		6	53	18	No	No	
Liberty Grove—C. E. Howell, Todd	9	5	14	9	25	29		10	101	40	No	No	
Liberty Hill—J. H. Wagoner, Nathans Creek								6	54	38	No	No	0
Little Helton		5	10		11		10	5	63	31	No	No	0
Long Branch—Wyatt Eldreth, Lansing	3	8	6	6	20	20		7	70	45	No	No	2
Mission Home—J. C. Greene, Fleetwood	20		12		10	14		5	61	40	Yes	No	3
Mountain View													
New River—W. D. Brown, Weavers Ford								9	103	48			
Oak Hill—William Trivett, Bina	7	5	4	6	4	7	4	4	53	35	No	No	1
Obids—D. C. Severt, Othello								6	34	34	No	No	0
Old Fields—W. M. Blackburn, Brown Wood								7	95	45	No	No.	0
Orion, Mack Dillard, Jefferson	6	10	10	12	20	8		8	74	45	Yes	No	0
Peak Volley—Miss Mary Brown, Creston								4	164	125	No	No	0
Phoenix—James C. Eller, Bina	5	9	13	24		27	4	8	90	40	No	No	0
Pilot Mountain—Glenn Miller, Laxton	13		13	10		14		7	57	47			3
Pleasant Branch—F. F. Halsey, Grassy Creek	8		10	18		20		4	60	35			
Pleasant Hill													
Pleasant Home—L. W. Blevins, Grassy Creek	5		8	9		11		7	40	31			
Pleasant Valley—G. L. Denney, Grassy Creek	7		6			17		5	35	25	No	No	
Sabbath Home—C. W. Sexton, Lansing	9	7	7		12		11	4	43	29			
Smethport								5	65	35	No	No	0
Sturgills—W. W. Weaver, Sturgills	8	10	11	10		11		8	58	28	No	No	0
Tuckerdal—Mrs. Lacy Eller, Lansing		12	5	15		12		5	49	30	No	No	0
Valley Home—W. T. A. Jones, Toliver	20		15		20	20		6	81	60			
Warrensville									52				
West Jefferson—James Haire, West Jefferson								10	147	110	No	No.	4
	178	126	235	254	226	413	29	221	2665	1513			22

Long Branch held a Daily Vacation Bible School; enrollment was 60 and average attendance was 50.
West Jefferson held a Daily Vacation Bible School; enrollment was 130 and average attendance was 97.4.
Baptisms from School: Landmark, 11; Orion, 20; West Jefferson, 5; total 36.

TABLE IV—GIFTS FOR LOCAL CHURCH WORK OF ASHE COUNTY BAPTIST ASSO. SEPT. 1934

CHURCHES, REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES	Pastor's Salary	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	Literature for S. S. and B. Y. P. U. and W. M. S.	Help Given to Local Poor	For Printing the Minutes and Clerk of Association	Other Objects	Given by Sunday School	Total for Local Purposes Given by the Church and All Its Organizations
Apple Grove—A. P. Howell, White Top, Va.	24.60						1.30			24.60
Bald Mt.—W. L. Houck, West Jefferson	26.05				5.80		1.00			32.85
Baptist Home—W. R. Brown, Parker	32.50	24.00					1.00			57.50
Beaver Creek—H. Goodman, W. Jefferson	57.10			3.45	7.81		1.50	5.00	11.26	74.86
Bethel—R. G. Phillips, Oval	45.00	15.00	10.00		10.00		2.07			82.07
Big Flatts—P. H. Haire, Fleetwood	53.40	14.00	75.00	8.00	8.82	9.69	1.50		5.82	170.41
Big Laurel—Earl M. Roten, Grayson	18.75					10.00	1.00	2.00		31.75
Bristol—Mamie Wallace, Jefferson	17.54		38.25		6.74	2.00	2.31		6.74	66.84
Buffalo—Mrs. Myrtle Harless, Smethport	68.00	10.00		12.60	11.60		1.65		11.60	125.85
Chestnut Hill—W. H. McMillan, Crumpler	52.75		25.40		6.97		2.05		6.97	87.32
Clifton—D. F. Shoemaker, Warrensville	14.00		2.00	12.00			1.00			28.00
Friendship—T. K. Luther, Jefferson	55.00			5.00	7.95	12.00	2.60			82.55
Glendale—Gordon Severt, Glendale Springs					1.72	1.00	1.00			2.72

Grassy Creek—Mrs. F. C. Nye, Grassy Crk.	56.20	20.00		8.18	22.22	20.00	3.00			129.61
Healing Spring—G. R. Ham, Crumpler	75.00	30.00		5.00			4.00			114.00
Land Mark—T. A. Jones, Grassy Creek	54.75	25.25		14.00	10.00		5.00			109.00
Laurel Knob—Lawson Edwards, Todd	38.00	4.75		2.50	7.08		2.00			54.28
Liberty Grove—C. E. Howell, Todd	100.24			4.60	11.65	35.00	1.00		46.65	152.49
Liberty Hill—J. H. Wagoner, Nathans Crk.	8.20				2.93		1.50			12.63
Little Helton—Chas. Hurley, Grassy Creek	7.48	11.25			1.47		3.00	1.50		24.70
Long Branch—Carl Sexton, Edison	40.00	16.00		10.00	3.00	23.00	2.65		3.00	94.65
Mission Home—J. H. Gentry, W. Jefferson	43.60	40.00			10.00		1.00	6.00	10.00	100.20
Mountain View—C. Smithey, Apple Grove	12.25									12.25
New River—W. D. Brown, Weavers Ford	70.00			7.15	12.53		3.16		14.13	92.84
Oak Hill—J. A. Campbell, Jefferson	33.00						1.00			33.00
Obids—Mrs. Nettie McNeill, Obids	19.71			5.00	3.65		1.00	2.50		31.86
Old Fields—Mrs. J. E. Cheek, Idlewild	83.00	40.00					2.00	2.00		125.00
Orion—W. J. Bare, Jefferson	125.00	5.00		10.00			2.00			142.00
Peak Valley—Mrs. Queen Elliott	17.00						.50			17.00
Phoenix—Mrs. F. L. Waddel	125.00	35.00	1.00	6.00	20.00	6.00	5.10	5.50	20.00	203.60
Pilot Mt.—W. L. Byland, Brownwood	53.74	30.00			13.74		1.50			97.48
Pleasant Branch—J. V. Reedy, Grassy Crk.	19.00	45.57	45.00		3.50	2.00	2.00			117.07
Pleasant Hill—F. D. Farmer, White Top, Va.	12.00		10.08				1.25			22.08
Pleasant Home—Lee Waddell, Grassy Crk.	11.05	23.00			3.70		3.00			40.75
Pleasant Valley—Blaine Phipps, Gr. Creek	17.60	12.60					1.50			31.70
Sabbath Home—Mrs. C. L. Goss, Lansing	5.00	11.00	19.00		8.33		1.65			44.98
Smethport—P. S. Bumgarner, Smethport	20.00				6.00					26.00
Sturgills—Mary Sturgills, Sturgills	16.00		200.00		9.00		1.00			225.00
Tuckerdale—Wade H. Darnell, Tuckerdale	20.00	25.00	80.00		6.00	15.00	3.00			149.00
Valley Home—Vyrus Miller, Toliver	25.00				4.44		2.50		6.94	31.94
Warrensville—J. C. Ashley, Warrensville	48.74	15.00					1.00			64.74
West Jefferson—W. B. Tribble W. Jefferson	600.00	67.75	1043.70	40.86	54.12		4.00	12.94	60.26	1823.37
	2221.30	520.17	1554.43	154.34	280.78	135.69	80.29	36.94	203.37	4990.54

Given by all W. M. U. organizations: Big Flatts, $3.00; Long Branch, $21.10; Phoenix, $5.50; West Jefferson, $98.25; total, $127.85.

TABLE III—CHURCH PROPERTY OF ASHE BAPTIST ASSO.

CHURCHES, CHURCH CLERKS AND POST OFFICES	When Built?	Persons Seated	Value of Church and Grounds	Total Value All Church Property
Apple Grove—H. A. Miller, White Top, Va.	1899		$ 650	$ 650
Bald Mt.—John Goodman, W. Jefferson	1910	300	1300	1300
Baptist Home—W. R. Brown, Parker	1890	300	725	850
Beaver Creek—Hayden Goodman,W.Jefferson			400	400
Bethel—R. G. Phillips, Oval	1922	300	3000	3000
Big Flatts—Mary Jordan, Fleetwood	1908	200	1100	1100
Big Laurel—Earl M. Roten, Hemlock	1909	200	1000	1250
Bristol—Mamie Wallace, Jefferson	1928	150	800	800
Buffalo—Mrs. Myrtle Harless, Smethport	1869	250	700	700
Chestnut Hill—W. H. McMillan, Crumpler	1931	300	1500	1500
Clifton—D. F. Shoemake, Warrensville		200	1000	1000
Frendship—Clifford Marsh, Jefferson	1909	400	1600	1600
Glendale—Gordon Severt, Glendale Springs	1915	200	1500	1500
Grassy Creek—Mrs. F. C. Nye, Grassy Creek	1928	300	3000	3000
Healing Springs—G. R. Ham, Crumpler		300	2500	2700
Land Mark—T. A. Jones, Grassy Creek	1909	300	3000	3000
Laurel Knob—G. S. Holman, Todd	1912	300	500	500
Liberty Grove—J. P. Howell, Fleetwood	1916	300	1200	1000
Liberty Hill—J. H. Wagoner, Nathans Creek	1910	300	400	400
Little Helton—Charles Hurley, Grassy Creek	1928	300	2000	2000
Long Branch—J. G. Welch, Lansing	1920	300	1500	1500
Mission Home—J. H. Gentry, West Jefferson	1900	300	1600	1600
Mountain View—Chas. Smithey, Apple Grove	1913	200	350	350
New River—W. D. Brown, Weavers Ford		400	1500	1500
Oak Hill—J. A. Campbell, Jefferson		300	1500	2500
Obids—Mrs. Nettie McNeill	1903	400	2000	2000
Old Fields—W. M. Blackburn, Brownwood	1926	400	4000	4000
Orion—J. F. Dillard, Jefferson	1911	300	2000	2000
Peak Valley, Mrs. Queen Elliott, Creston	1892	300	800	800
Phoenix—Mrs. F. S. Waddell, Bina	1913	300	2500	2500
Pilot Mt.—Glenn Miller, Laxon		200	500	500
Pleasant Branch—J. V. Reedy, Grassy Creek	1931	175	500	545
Pleasant Hill—F. D. Farmer, White Top, Va.	1900	300	800	800
Pleasant Home—Lee Waddell, Grassy Creek	1898	200	2000	2000
Pleasant Valley, Blane Phipps, Grassy Creek	1926	300	600	600
Sabbath Home—Mrs. C. L. Goss, Lansing	1932	200	1500	1500
Smethport—P. S. Bumgarner, Smethport	1921	200	500	1900
Sturgills—Mary Sturgill, Sturgills	1934	300	250	250
Tuckerdale—J. A. Darnell, Tuckerdale	1917	400	1500	1500
Valley Home—Vyrus Miller, Toliver	1916	300	1000	1000
Warrensville—J. H. Ashley, Warrensville	1929	200	1500	1500
West Jefferson—W. B. Tribble, W. Jefferson	1929	700	15000	15000
			61275	64075

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TABLE V—Gifts for Missions, Education and all Benevolences

CHURCHES REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES	Special to Orphanage	Special Hospitals	For Missions & Benevolences	Grand Total for All Purposes
Apple Grove—A. P. Howell, White Top	$ 2.50	$ 2.50	$ 5.00	$ 29.60
Bald Mt.—W. L. Houck, W. Jefferson	2.35		2.35	35.20
Baptist Home—W. R. Brown, Parker				57.50
Beaver Creek—H. Goodman, W.Jeff'son		1.62	7.50	82.36
Bethel—R. G. Phillips, Oval	12.00	11.00	21.00	103.07
Big Flatts—P. H. Haire, Fleetwood	20.81	10.85	53.30	223.71
Big Laurel—Earl M. Roten, Gryson	2.00	2.00	4.00	35.75
Bristol—Mamie Wallace, Jefferson			2.00	68.84
Buffalo—Mrs. M. Harless, Smethport	11.53	4.78	50.51	176.36
Chestnut Hill—W. H. McMillan, C'ler		3.01	3.01	90.33
Clifton—D. F. Shoemake, Warrensville				28.00
Friendship—T. H. Luther, Jefferson		24.70	24.70	107.25
Glendale—G. Severt, Glendale Sprgs.				2.72
Grassy Creek—Mrs. F. C. Nye, Gr. Crk.		8.75	66 52	196.13
Healing Springs—G. R. Ham, Crmpler	10.50	150.00	160.50	274.50
Land Mark—T. A. Jones, Grassy Creek	5.25		5.25	114.25
Laurel Knob—Lawson Edwards, Todd			14.47	68.75
Liberty Grove—C. E. Howell, Todd	30.00	3.20	32.20	185.69
Liberty Hill—J. H. Wagoner, N. Creek				12.63
Little Helton—C. Hurley, Grassy Creek		2.94	4.44	29.14
Long Branch—Carl Sexton, Edison	16.00	59.00	75.00	169.65
Mission Home—J. H. Gentry, Fleetwood		5.00	6.00	106.20
Mtn. View—C. Smithy, Apple Grove				12.25
New River—W. Brown, Weavers Ford	58.44	1.41	90.10	182.94
Oak Hill—J. A. Campbell, Jefferson				33.00
Obids—Mrs. Nettie McNeill, Obids				31.86
Old Fields—Mrs. J. C. Cheek	3.85	2.70	6.55	131.55
Orion—W. J. Bare, Jefferson	8.00		8.00	150.00
Peak Valley—Mrs. Queen Elliott				17.00
Phoenix—Mrs. F. L. Waddell, Bina	23.84	59.00	126.42	330.02
Pilot Mt.—W. L. Byland, Brownwood	2.55		2.55	100.03
Pleasant Branch—J. V. Reedy, Gr. Crk.	3.00	5.00	8.00	125.07
Pleasant Hill—F. D. Farmer, White Top				22.08
Pleasant Home—Lee Waddell, Gr. Crk.		3.05	3.05	43.80
Pleasant Valley—B. Phipps, Gr. Creek		2.57	2.57	34.27
Sabbath Home—Mrs. C. L. Goss, Lans'g				44.98
Smethport—P. S. Bumgarner, Smethp't				26.00
Sturgills—Mary Sturgills, Sturgills				225.00
Tuckerdale—W. H. Darnell, Tuckerdale				149.00
Valley Home—Vyrus Miller, Toliver				31.94
Warrensville—J. Ashley, Warrensville				64.74
West Jefferson—W. B. Tribble, W. J.	51.28	6.57	105.50	1928.87
	263.85	369.65	890.49	5009.03

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TABLE VI—AUXILIARIES, B. Y. P. U. AND W. M. U.

B. Y. P. U. WORK

CHURCH	Does youd Church have a General Organization?	Senior Unions	Intermediate Unions	Junior Unions	Total Unions	Seniors Enrollment	Intermediates Enrollm't.	Juniors Enrollment	Total Enrollment
Grassy Creek	No	1			1	26			26
Long Branch	No	1			2	20			20
Sturgills	No	1			1	28			28
West Jefferson	Yes	1	1	1	3	15	15	16	46
TOTALS		4	1	1	6	89	15	16	120

W. M. U. WORK

CHURCH	Number of Unions	Number of Y. W. A's.	Number of G. A's.	Number of R. A's.	Number of Sunbeams	Total No. Organizations	W. M. U. Members	Y. W. A. Members	G. A. Members	R. A. Members	Sunbeam Members	Total Members Enrolled
Big Flatts	1		2			3	6		18			24
Long Branch	1					1	20					20
Old Fields	1					1	15					15
Phoenix	1					1						
West Jefferson	1	1	1	1	1	5	22	10	10	20	18	80
TOTALS	5	1	3	1	1	11	63	10	28	20	18	149

TABLE III FOOTNOTES

All above-named churches are built of wood except West Jefferson Baptist Church which is built of brick.

Above-named churches have one room except Healing Springs, Phoenix, and West Jefferson, which have two, two, and ten rooms respectively.

All these churches own their house of worship.

Healing Springs Church has three dept. assembly rooms.

Number of separate class rooms: Healing Springs, 3; Mission Home, 6; Orion, 4; Phoenix, 4; West Jefferson, 10.

Indebtedness on all church property: Chestnut Hill, $75; Sturgills, $39; West Jefferson, $1150.

TABLE V FOOTNOTES

Total to Co-operative Program: Beaver Creek, $3.38; Big Flatts, $20.78; Buffalo, $34.20; Grassy Creek, $57.78; Laurel Knob, $9.77; New River, $29.25; Phoenix, $43.58; West Jefferson, $31.94; total, $378.64.

Special to Association Missions: Beaver Creek, $150.

Special to State Missions: West Jefferson, $15.76.

Other special gifts: Beaver Creek, $1.00; Big Flatts, 86 cents; Bristol, $2.00; Little Helton, $1.50; Mission Home, $1.00; New River, $1.00; total, $8.36.

Given to W. M. U. organizations: Big Flatts, $19.74; Long Branch, $68.00; West Jefferson, $11.13; total, $98.87.

Given by the Sunday School: Beaver Creek, $2.62; Mission Home, $1.00; New River, $8.15; Phoenix, $11.84; West Jefferson, $52.96; total, $76.59.

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Pastoral Support.....W. H. McMillan, Crumpler, N. C.
Temperance.....Rev. Lee Howell, Husk, N. C.
Old Ministers' Relief.....Prof. J. F. Phipps, Crumpler, N. C.
Obituaries.....Clark Houck, West Jefferson, N. C.
B. Y. P. U.....D. C. Severt, West Jefferson, N. C.
W. M. U.....Minnie Haire, Fleetwood, N. C.
Digest of Church Letters.....A. D. Goodman, A. F. Phipps and W. H. McMillan

ORDAINED MINISTERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

Ashley, A. C.---Warrensville, N. C.
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Blackburn, Wiley---Jefferson, N. C.
Blevins, E.---Grassy Creek, N. C.
Blevins, L. W.---Grassy Creek, N. C.
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Burkett, G. C.---Jefferson, N. C.
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Childers, Joseph---Weavers Ford, N. C.
Cockerham, T. J.---Crumpler, N. C.
Coffey, H. L.---Volney, Va.
Cope, C. M.---Crumpler, N. C.
Denney, G. L.---Grassy Creek, N. C.
Denney, W. E.---Grassy Creek, N. C.
Dolinger, P L.---Sturgills, N. C.
Eller, E. A.---Grassy Creek, N. C.
Farmer, T. A.---Lansing, N. C.
Gentry, J. H.---West Jefferson, N. C.
Haire, P. H.---Fleetwood, N. C.
Hamby, J. M.---Bina, N. C.
Hurley, W. L.---Grassy Creek, N. C.
Hayes, T. M.---Nathans Creek, N. C.
Howell, Lee---Husk, N. C.
Howell, J. G.---Grassy Creek, N. C.
Keller, L. N.---Fleetwood, N. C.
Neaves, J. M.---Crumpler, N. C.
Powers, Arthur---Lansing, N. C.
Powers, Luther ---Lansing, N. C.
Parsons, C. C.---Grassy Creek, N. C.
Sexton, C. W.---Edison, N. C.
Sexton, E. Z.---Lansing, N. C.
Sturgill, J. R.---Sturgills, N. C.
Stanley, Frank---Lansing, N. C.
Stike, C. L.---Whitetop, Va.
Spencer, J. O.---Grassy Creek, N. C.
Testerman, Luther---Lansing, N. C.
Trivette, J. S.---Fleetwood, N. C.
Trivett, G. L.---West Jefferson, N. C.
Wilcox, Joseph---West Jefferson, N. C.
Winkler, H. M.---Todd, N. C.
Wyatt, Eldreth---Lansing, N. C.
Wyatt, Preston---Whitetop, Va.
Whittington, W. T.---West Jefferson, N. C.

LIST OF MESSENGERS

Apple Grove---W. M. Little
Bald Mountain---John Goodman, Rexford Campbell and Clark Houck
Baptist Home---M. L. Sturgill, E. J. Brown, G. E. Lewis
Bethel---R. G. Phillips, Bob Watson, A. D. Goodman
Big Flats---F. L. Houck, Minnie Haire, Mary Jordan
Big Laurel---Earl M. Roten
Bristol---W. A. Johnston, Mamie Wallace
Buffalo---W. T. Harless, Arthur Lewis, Charlie Hodge
Chestnut Hill---W. H. McMillan, I. N. Hudler, S. M. Blevins
Clifton---J. M. Parsons, D. F. Shoemaker, Mrs. Mary Brooks
Friendship---Fred Little, E. F. Marsh, Clifford Marsh
Glendale---Garden Severt, Gord Miller, George Miller
Grassy Creek---H. P. Haynes, Mark Blevins, F. C. Nye
Healing Springs---John Shumate, Hiram Baker, Curtis Grace
Landmark---Gwyn Denney, W. W. Blackburn, Fred Howell
Laurel Knob---M. A. Goodman, J. E. Trivett, W. R. Goodman
Liberty Grove---Ralph Howell, Ralph Tomlinson, Clives Howell
Long Branch---J. G. Welch, Andy Surber, Oscar Poe
Little Helton---Charley Hurley, Ledy Pasley, Carl Sexton
Mission Home---J. C. Green, J. R. Kimberlin, J. C. Williams
New River---Charles Phipps, G. H. Pugh, E. H. Handy
Oak Hill---Jackson Barker, Dale Barker, Edd Blackburn
Obids---Miss Ollie Burgess, Mrs. Nettie McNeill, Heggie Parsons
Old Fields---H. O. Baker, W. M. Blackburn, B. F. Layne
Orion---J. F. Dillard, Jesse Bare, James Dillard
Peak Valley---Tom Monday, Kermit Thomas, Mrs. Queen Elliott
Phoenix---William Trivett, James Eller, T. E. Phipps
Pleasant Branch---T. F. Halsey, K. D. Reedy, J. V. Reedy
Pleasant Hill---F. D. Farmer, T. R. Miller, Arthur Hart
Pleasant Home---Lee Waddell, Edgar DeBoard, Kaney Spencer
Pleasant Valley---J. C. Jones, Birdie Phipps, Blaine Phipps
Pilot Mountain---Russel Vannoy, Turner Watson, T. J. McGuire
Sabbath Home---Mrs. C. L. Goss, John Goss, Victor Goss
Smethport---Jake Day, P. S. Bumgardner, Walter Day
Sturgills---Isom Sturgill, Charlie Sizemore and Miss Ola Pennington
Tuckerdale---Frank Tucker, Jr., Wade H. Darnell, Glen C. Jones
Valley Home---Vyrus Miller, L. M. Roark, Coy Laurence
Warrensville---J. H. Ashley, John Burkett
West Jefferson---David Harless, Ira T. Johnston, Bill Hudler
Welcome Home---E. S. Shatley, H. T. Goodman, Richard Kelley

CONSTITUTION

Article 1. This body shall be called the Ashe Association.

OBJECTS

Article 2. The object of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the gospel in our bounds, and in all the world, and in this work the Association will co-operate with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

MEMBERSHIP

Artcile 3. The members of this body shall be all the ordained ministers of the churches of the Association, and three delegates form each church. A letter certifying their appointment and giving statistics of the membership and work of the church shall be sent to the Clerk at least fifteen days before the opening of the session.

ORGANIZATION

Article 4. At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a Moderator and a Clerk and Treausurer. This election shall take place hereafter at the end of each session, and those elected shall serve through the next session.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Article 5. The Moderator shall preside at all meetings, preserve order, appoint committees, and perform such duties as are required of presiding officers.

Article 6. The Clerk shall keep a correct record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing and distribution to the churches, the proceedings of the body.

Article 7. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent to the Association, to pay them out as the Association may direct, and make a report at each annual session.

TIME AND PLACE

Article 8. The Association shall hold an annual meeting at such time and place as may be agreed upon.

APPOINTMENTS

Article 9. At each annual meeting there shall be appointed an executive committee of five brethren who shall look after the destitution in the bounds of this Association, and co-operate with the State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention, making to the next session a report of the work done and all the general State Mission work.

Article 10. Association shall convene annually on the last Friday in August. At each annual session there shall be appointed committees to make reports to the ensuing session, on the following subjects, to wit: State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Pastoral Support, Ministerial Education, Baptist Orphanage, Biblical Recorder, Temperance, Digest of Church Letters, Finance, Place and Preacher for next Association, and Baptist Hospital.

ORDER OF RELIGIOUS EXERCISES

Article 11. Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

Article 12. In addition to the introductory sermon, the committee on religious exercises shall arrange at least one other sermon each day the Association is in session and all business shall be suspended while the sermon is being delivered; but no sermon shall be scheduled while the Association is engaged in a business session.

PREROGATIVES

Article 13. The Association will not retain in permanent fellowship any church that retains in its fellowship any member who is disorderly in doctrine or practice, or who makes, sells, or in any way deals in ardent spirits as a beverage.

CONSTITUTION—HOW AMENDED

Article 14. This Constitution may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual session.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES

1st. We believe in one true and living God, and that there are three persons in the God-head, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, and that these three are one.

2nd. We believe that the Bible, the New Testament, is the Word of God and the only rule of faith and practice.

3rd. We believe in the impotency of man and the sovereignty of God.

4th. We believe that salvation is by Grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5th. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ to be practiced only by believers in their spiritual order.

6th. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator, and that those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and doctrine, should take the Lord's Supper.

7th. We believe in the final perseverance of the saints in grace to glory.

8th. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgement.

9th. We believe that the existence of the righteous and the wicked will both be of eternal duration, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be enternal.

RULES OF ORDER

1. Every session shall be opened and closed by prayer.
2. When the Moderator calls the house to order, every member shall at once take his seat.
3. When a member wishes to speak he shall rise and address the Moderator, and not proceed until he is recognized.
4. No member shall speak more than twice on any subject except by permission of the body.
5. No member shall leave the body during the session without permission of the Moderator.
6. It shall be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold privite conversation while any person is speaking.

PROGRAM OF ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

FRIDAY MORNING, AUGUST 28, 1936

10:00 Introductory Sermon—Rev. J. O. Spencer
10:30 Reception of Churches and Visitors
10:45 Appointment of Committees
11:15 Reports on Sunday Schools and W. M. U.
12:00 Adjournment for lunch—Everybody bring lunch

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

1:15 Cooperative program: Reports on State, Home, and Foreign Missions
2:00 Report on Christian Education
2:30 Sermon—Rev. H. M. Winkler
3:00 Miscellaneous
3:15 Announcement of Homes for Messengers and Visitors
3:30 Adjournment

SATURDAY MORNING, AUGUST 29

9:30 Devotional—Rev. G. C. Burkett
10:00 Report on Orphanage
11:30 Report on Hospital
11:00 Report on Pastors' Salaries and Old Ministers' Relief
11:30 Sermon—Rev. W. E. Denny
12:15 Adjournment for lunch

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

1:30 Report on Old Minister's Relief
2:00 Miscellaneous
2:15 Report of B. Y. P. U.
2:30 Report of Local Committees
3:00 Adjournment

SUNDAY MORNING, AUGUST 30

11:00 Sermons—Rev. J. O. Spencer and T. A. Farmer

Night Sessions to Be Arranged by Committee on Religious Exercises

THE FORTY-NINTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, NORTH CAROLINA (1886-1935) HELD WITH HEALING SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH

FRIDAY MORNING, AUGUST 30, 1935

Introductory sermon preached by Rev. J. A. McMillan.

1st. Called for visitors, the following were seated with the body: Rev. J. A. McMillan, New River, J. F. Fletcher, J. A. McKaughan, W. H. Johnston, Dr. S. L. Perkins, M. A. Huggins, Rev. Grady Hamby, Vylus Minton.

2nd. Call for report of Standing Committee: Rev. P. E. Downs, Committee on State Missions, being absent, Rev. W. T. Whittington was appointed to make the report. W. D. Brown, Committee on Temperance, being absent, Rev. J. A. McKaughan was appointed to make the report.

3rd. Appointment of committees. Committee on Religious Exercises—pastor and delegates of Healing Springs church; Finance Committee—A. D. Goodman, Rev. T. A. Farmer, W. H. McMillan; To Name Executive Committee—D. F. Shoemaker, I. M. Cook, I. N. Huddler; Resolutions—Rev. H. L. Coffey, F. C. Nye, Rev. G. C. Burkett.

4th. Report on Sunday Schools: Report on W. M. U. discussed by Rev. W. T. Whittington, T. A. Farmer, J. A. McMillan, Prof. F. C. Nye, Miss Minnie Haire, Mrs. C. O. Parsons, Rev. J. F. Fletcher, and adopted.

5th. By motion, we ask our County Sunday School Chairman to divide the Sunday School Convention into four conventions and to supply programs for same.

6th. Songs by Cook-Harless quartette. Adjournment for lunch. Prayer by M. A. Huggins.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Devotional conducted by Jeter Howell.

1st. Call for new churches: One church, Welcome Home, handed in a letter and by motion was received in the Association.

2nd. Report on State Missions, Report on Foreign Missions, Report on Christian Education: Discussed by M. A. Huggins and Rev. J. A. McKaughan, and adopted.

3rd. Homes for messengers assigned.

4th. By motion, adjournment. Prayer by Rev. J. O. Spencer.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

Devotional by Rev. T. J. Cockerham.

1st. Call for visitors. Smith Hagerman, Superintendent of Baptist Hospital, Winston-Salem, was seated with the body.

2nd. By motion move up the report on the hospital and temperance and discuss them at this hour: discussed by Smith Hagaman and Rev. J. A. McKaughan, and adopted. After which an offering was taken for the United Dry Forces of North Carolina amounting to $7.60.

3rd. Sermon by Rev. J. O. Spencer; text: "For the People Had a Mind to Work".

4th. Adjournment for lunch. Prayer by Rev. W. E. Denney.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Devotional by Rev. H. M. Winkler.

1st. Called for churches who want the Association next year: Pleasant Hill, New River, Chestnut Hill, Buffalo, Mission Home.

2nd. Report on Old Ministers' Relief and Pastoral Support: discussed by W. H. McMillan, Ira T. Johnston, Rev. W. F. Barker, W. E. Denney, W. T. Whittington, H. M. Winkler, J. A. McKaughan, and adopted.

3rd. Report on B. Y. P. U.: read and discussed by D. C. Severt, and adopted.

4th. Call for report of Committee on Jefferson Church: the committee, not being ready to report, was retained for another year.

5th. By motion the Association elected A. D. Goodman as Historian for the Ashe Association.

6th. Report of Committee on Place and Preacher for next association: report Pleasant Hill Church but owing to the condition of the roads to said church it would be impossible to get there in bad weather and the Moderator appointed a committee to decide and make a report to the Clerk; committee—T. R. Miller, J. C. Green, W. T. Harless, W. D. Brown, W. P. Haines, W. H. McMillan.

7th. A committee to proofread the Minutes: Rev. W. T. Whittington, Ira T. Johnston, W. A. Campbell.

8th. Report of Finance Committee: report adopted.

9th. Report of Committee on Resolutions: adopted.

10th. Election of officers by acclamation: Prof. J. C. Goodman was re-elected Moderator and W. A. Campbell was re-elected Clerk and Treasurer. By motion adjournment.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

The purpose of State Mission is to carry the gospel to the people of our own state, "to begin first at Jerusalem." Worthy pastors of weak churches are aided. Pastors and churches at strategic points are enabled to carry on more effectively. Sunday School work and B. Y. P. U. work are encouraged.

Our history of the Ashe Association shows that many of our churches were founded and many souls redeemed through the work of State Missionaries. Take that leaf out of our history and we would lose much of the noblest and best of the past.

If we do not co-operate with our State Board, we show a shortsighted and narrow spirit, which stamps us as anti-missionary at heart and dooms our churches to failure and spiritual death. The churches that support the Co-operative Program are the churches that are alive and growing and supporting their local work decently. Almost without exception, the churches that make no contributions to denominational causes are doing nothing locally.

In spite of the most serious ecnomic depression in history, by reducing its budget drastically, our State Mission Board has greatly reduced its debt and has carried on. North Carolina perhaps has made more progress toward prosperity than any other state. It is encouraging to note increased support for State Missions. Let us do our part in the churches of the Ashe Association and rid ourselves of the zeros that constitute so large a part of our statistical tables.

Respectfully submitted,
W. T. WHITTINGTON, Committee.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

Since I have been assigned the same subject I had a year ago, and since my opinion has not changed, I shall repeat that report:

"Statistics are rarely ever impressive except to mathematicians, research workers, and statisticians themselves. Your committee does not belong to either class. Besides, any statistics which might be incorporated in this report would only emphasize our shame. Many of our churches could lay no possible claim to the name of Missionary Baptist Churches, if the divine writer was right who spoke of people showing their faith by their works. If faith without works is dead, most of our churches are dead so far as any missionary spirit is concerned. What proportion of our churches made any contribution to Foreign Missions last year?

What proportion of our Church members made any contribution to Foreign Missions last year or ever made any contribution to this cause? Perhaps an answer would stamp most of us as anti-missionary in practice if not in belief. Should we not be honest about this thing? We cannot honesly claim to believe what we do not practice.

Perhaps we all ought to take at least some small part in missions or take the word "Missionary" from our Mast-head. As to what our part shall be, are we willing for Him to judge who said "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature"? We must either accept Him or deny Him.

I shall only add that world conditions today emphasize the need of Christ in all the world. War thinking nations need to think upon the precepts of the Prince of Peace. And our people in America, emerging from economic distress, need to think of the answer to the question "Who is my neighbor?" and their duty to all mankind everywhere.

Respectfully submitted,

IRA T. JOHNSTON, Committee.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

We, with all other Southern Baptists, should be proud of the educational institutions that belong to the Southern Baptist Convention. The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky. This school under Dr. John R. Sampey as president has a faculty of 17 and an enrollment of 350. More than 3000 of its former students are now pastors in the U. S. In connection with the Seminary is the W. M. U. Training School with Miss Carrie Littlejohn as president, and a student body of 72. At Ft. Worth, Texas is the Southwestern Theological Seminary. Here Dr. L. R. Scarborough is the president. There is a faculty of 16 and 339 students enrolled. At New Orleans, La. Dr. W. W. Hamilton is president of the Baptist Bible Institute, with eight members of the faculty and 190 students. These schools are preparing to fill places of usefulness in our own Southland and in the world.

North Carolina Baptists own eight schools and colleges, Campbell, Wingate, Boiling Springs, Wake Forest, Meridith, Mars Hill, Chowan, and Fruitland. These schools now have an enrollment of more than 2500 college students and about 300 high school students. The total value of all property and endowments of these schools is $8,749,484.

These schools mean much to the work of the kingdom. They deserve our prayers, and our loyal support.

As great as these schools are they can reach only a small part of our people. What are we to do for those boys and girls who will never go to a college or a seminary? The duty of educating these for the kingdom rests on the home and the church. If these two fail then many of our young people will fail to receive a Christian education. Let the home furnish the old fashioned Christian training, then let the church supplant the work begun in the home.

Today the government recognizes its responsibility in caring for the education of adult illiterates. The church might learn from the government that it too has a responsibility and an opportunity to do a worthwhile thing in training our older people. We all need to take Paul's advice to Timothy when he said, "Study to show yourselves approved unto God workmen

that needeth not be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." Timothy was a grown young man. Yet he needed to learn. Many of us need to learn: something of God's plan for our lives, the need of the world for mission, how to win souls for the kingdom, and how to be better stewards of the Master.

Respectfully submitted,

A. DELL GOODMAN.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE

When I think of the Orphanage I am reminded of the words of Jesus when he said, "Suffer little children to come unto me and forbid them not for of such is the kingdom of heaven."

When we think of the thousands of children that have been taken care of in the Orphan's Home at Thomasville, with the Christian environment that they have had, we feel that they have been brought to Jesus.

Did you ever stop to think of the number of good citizens who are turned out each year from that institution who can prove a blessing to humanity?

While if the Baptists of the past had not made such an institution possible these same children would have gone out and made criminals and been a nuisance to society.

Therefore, let us, as Baptists, wake up and enlarge this institution that we might take care of more homeless children and turn out more Christian citizens and by so doing be obedient to the Master's command in suffering little children to come on to him.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID HARLESS.

REPORT ON BAPTIST HOSPITAL

In our efforts to carry out the commission of Jesus to heal the sick we have:

Since the opening of the Hospital May 28, 1923 to July 15, 1935, 29,000 patients have entered for treatment. In the first half of the year 1935, 1,760 have been treated. At this rate, the Hospital will have 3,520 patients this year, or 31,260 patient days. Of this, 11,886 will be full pay, 9,704 part pay and 9,674 free.

The Hospital has had an average of 86 patients per day for the last six months and is now averaging 300 per month. Almost one-half of patient days are service or free days.

The Woman's Missionary Unions of the State, in addition to their cash contributions, have sent to the Hospital during the first six months of this year 3,635 articles of linen, consisting of sheets, spreads, pillow cases, towels, etc. These are much needed and much appreciated.

Mother's Day (the second Sunday in May) has been designated by the denomination as "Hospital Day." If only all of our churches would seriously put on a well-planned Mother's Day program, enough money could be provided to amply care for this vast host of God's poor, who can't provide this service for themselves. We are trying to carry on the same program that Jesus gave so much of His life to relieving suffering humanity. What part have you played in it? What will you have?

Respectfully submitted,

G. L. TRIVETT.

THE BIBLICAL RECORDER

The Biblical Recorder is the chief religious organ of North Carolina Baptists. Its use and purpose have been expounded by large numbers of our people for over a century, yet these numbers have failed to influence the majority of our Baptist people to subscribe to it and to support its circulation.

Bretheren, the Recorder is a ranking church paper among the denominational papers of the Southland, but it is needless to extol its greatness unless we can persuade our people to read it. The preacher needs it; the home needs it; the church and its auxiliary agncies need it, but these alone do not suffice. Our kingdom's work must have the knowledge disseminated through its papers if we are to march on successfully in His name.

Without knowledge people perish. Then why will we perish for spiritual food and denominational information for the small sum of two dollars annually? The answer—we either serve God or Mammon.

Respectfully submitted,

B. H. DUNCAN.

REPORT ON PASTORS' SALARIES

The Lord has ordained that they that preach the gospel shall live the gospel. We in the Ashe Association paid our pastor less than $53.00 per church or an average of 63 cents per member. Only eight churches paid over one dollar per member, four churches paid 75 cents and less than 99, four paid 50 cents and less than 74, 18 paid 25 cents and less than 49, seven paid 12 cents and less than 24, one church paid less than 10 cents.

Bretheren, how can we say: "Lord, thy will be done" and then treat his servants this way? Our pastors must live. This year, let us all give and not leave it to a few to support the pastors. Let us give regularly as the Lord hath prospered us, and at the end of the year we will all be proud of our pastors and churches; so brethern, let us give and not give sparingly, for the Lord loveth a cheerful giver.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. McMILLAN.

REPORT ON AGED AND INFIRM MINISTERS

This department of work approved and adoppted by the Baptist State Convention and this Association is worthy of our support.

We have not been able to ascertain the names and number in our Association receiving support from the Relief Board. We recommend and urge that all the churches of this Association give their liberal support to this worthy cause.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. PHIPPS.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

We believe that Sunday School is one among the greatest works that Christ left on record for he said, "Go ye into all the world preaching the gospel to every creature, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you." It is in obedience to his command that the churches maintain the Bible teaching agency in the Sunday School.

We feel that the great strength of our churches today has come through Sunday School. Many boys and girls were trained up in Sunday School. There are still yet many boys and girls who are out of Sunday School. We know the strength of our churches in the future must come from these boys and girls who are growing up. So we believe it is the duty of every church to maintain Sunday School and to do all we can to bring in the boys and girls who are out of Sunday School.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. ASHLEY.

B. Y. P. U. REPORT

By observation we find the interest in B. Y. P. U. on the decline in Ashe, while in other associations the work goes forward with success, and growing interest.

We wonder who will stand behind the training of our young people if the churches still neglect it.

Respectfully submitted,

D. C. SEVERT.

REPORT ON DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS

Members reported last year, 3399; baptisms, 164; present membership, 3549; Sunday School membership, 2486; average attendance in Sunday School, 1386, pastors salary $2,632.64; total denominational contributions, $1,096.71; total local church expenses $4,475.85; grand total to all causes, $5,572.56.

Respectfully submitted,

A. D. GOODMAN.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

This question of temperance has been one of importance every since the time of Noah, but today it is calling for whole hearted Christians who are not afraid to stand firm against legalizing liquor. Will liquor bearing the seal of our government lose its evil effects upon those who drink it.

Cale Burgess answers this question with an emphatic "No". He says that legalized liquor will make our boys and girls drunk. He goes on to say that during national prohibition, 87 of the 98 Keely Institutes in the United States closed their doors. Since repeal, Keely Institute patients have increased 55 per cent.

Recently the Christian Science Monitor reported the Virginia liquor system to be "an utter failure and tending to encourage women and girls of all classes to drink, and that "since the system became effective there has been increased drunkennes, drunken driving, more arrests for disorderly conduct and that desecration of the Sabbath has become more common.

Attorney General Cummings of the United States stated recently that convictions for liquor law violations are increasing rapidly and threaten to over crowd Federal prisons, adding that such convictions had "nearly doubled" in the last year." It is liquor and not prohibition that causes injury and trouble and fills the hospitals and jails.

Cale Burgess writes again that the Virginia liquor stores and the county liquor stores in eastern North Carolina are nearly modern editions of the old dispensary system that we tried and found unsatisfactory more than a generation ago. And they will not improve our situation but will increase drinking and drunkenness and every other injury and vice that always accompanies liquor traffiic.

Huntington, W. Va. boasted that the first customer to its liquor store was a woman. 15 to 20 per cent of the buyers of liquor in Virginia are women.

Evangline Booth of the Salvation Army says, "Drink has drained more blood, hung more crepe, sold more homes, plunged more people into bankruptcy, armed more villians slain more children, snapped more wedding rings, defiled more innocence, blinded more eyes, dethroned more reasons, wrecked more manhood, dishonored more womanhood, broken more hearts, blasted more lives, driven more to suicide, and dug more graves than any other scourge that ever swept its death-dealing waves across the world."

In the light of these facts we, as true disciples of Christ, should pledge ourselves anew to follow the example set by Daniel, thus doing our share in keeping our state from rushing blindly into an act that will mean destruction of our boys and girls.

Respectfully submitted,

W. D. BROWN.

W. M. U. REPORT

The W. M. U. of the Ashe Association held its annual meeting Friday May 31, 1935 at the W. Jefferson Baptist Church. Topic—Forward with the Banner. The following took part on the program: Devotion, Mr. Whittington (Pastor of Baptist Church, West Jefferson; Song, Junior Choir, West Jefferson; Greetings, Mrs. Whittington; Stewardship, Miss Blanche Hartsog; The Margaret Fund, Miss Mary Jordan; The Training School, Miss Minnie Haire; The Roll Call of Churches. Mrs. Harris, of the Baptist State Mission Board, Raleigh, N. C., introduced the morning speaker, Miss Emma Leachman, Baptist Field Worker, Atlanta, Ga. Miss Leachman gave an inspiring address on the work of the Baptist, Song, Offering. Noon Recess.

Devotion, T. A. Farmer; The Biblical Recorder, Rev. Haire; Training the Young People, G. L. Trivett Stewardship Contest, Junior I't. (R. A. Boys and Girls; Pantomime, Fling Out the Banner, Seasons of Prayer, Mrs. A. B. Vannoy; Address, Mrs. Harris.

Business of the Association was taken up. Mrs. Margaret Goodman who died recently was put on the Margaret Memorial Fund by the Association. Election of Officers: all the old officers with the exception of Mrs. B. E. Reeves, who resigned as Personal Service Chairman, were re-elected. They are—Supt., Mrs. Ralph Parsons; Associate Supt., Mrs. J. O. Goodman; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. Wick Vannoy; Young People's Leader, Miss Minnie Haire; Stewardship Chairman, Miss Blanche Hartsog; Personal Service Chairman, Mrs. A. B. Vannoy; Mission Study Chairman, Mrs. J. M. Prevette.

The Association adjourned to meet next year with the Old Fields Baptist Church.

MRS. WICK VANNOY, Sec. and Treas.

RESOLUTIONS

Be it resolved that the Ashe Baptist Association in its forty-ninth annual session:

1. That we extend to the good people of the Healing Springs community our sincere thanks for their most excellent hospitality and Christian fellowship during the session of the Association.
2. That we pledge to our officials and to the causes of the denomination our most hearty support and cooperation.
3. That we are solemnly resolved to share with our brethren back at home the inspiration and information which we have received at this meeting.
4. That we are resolved to pray earnestly that God may send a great revival of true and undefiled religion throughout Christendom to awaken God's people to a true realization of their responsibilities as His children to the spread of the Kingdom.

F. C. NYE,
H. L. COFFEY,
Committee.

REPORT ON PLACE AND PREACHER

Place, Mission Home; Preacher, Rev. J. O. Spencer; Alternate, Rev. E. Z. Sexton.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Received for co-operative program	$15.92
Orphanage	9.50
Printing Minutes and postage	73.50
	$98.92
Paid to M. A. Huggins	$15.92
Paid to R. D. Cavington	9.50
Printing Minutes	60.00
Postage	10.00
	$95.42
Balance	3.50
Less bad check	1.50
Balance	$ 2.00

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

MET WITH FRIENDSHIP CHURCH

THIRD SATURDAY AFTERNOON, JULY 1935

1. Meeting was called together by the Chairman, T. A. Farmer.
2. Devotional by Rev. Geter Howel.
3. Introductory sermon by Rev. E. Z. Sexton; Text: Mathew 19:5.
4. The old officers were urged to serve until the end of the session, when new ones were to be elected to serve the coming year.
5. A. D. Goodman was called to act as Clerk pro tem.
6. The following committees were appointed: Nominating Committee—Rexford Campbell, G. C. Burkett, M. F. Denney; Resolutions Committee—A. D. Goodman, E. Z. Sexton, W. F. Barker.

SUNDAY MORNING

1. Devotional by E. Blevins.
2. Thirteen Sunday Schools answered to the roll call.
3. Brother W. E. Denney proposed that five or six churches prepare a program for each Sunday School convention. On motion his plan was adopted.
4. The Bina Sunday School rendered a short program.

OBITUARIES

ODELL SOUTH: Born June 27, 1904; died April 27, 1935. He professed faith in Christ at Bethel on October 6, 1934 Although he was sorely tried by afflictions of the body, his faith in Jesus never waned, and he lived a steadfast Christian life until his death.

ELLEN BLEVINS REEDY: Born June 16, 1880; died August 11, 1934. She was married to C. C. Reedy on March 4, 1882. In her youth she professed a hope in Christ and joined Pleasant Home Baptist Church where she was ever a faithful member. Mrs. Reedy leaves four children to mourn her departure.

W. J. BARE: Born July 4, 1883; died March 17, 1935. Mr. Bare was married to Callie Wyatt, November 26, 1908. In 1911 he joined Orion Baptist Church and served that church in the capacity of deacon. Mr. Bare leaves a wife and eight children to mourn his loss.

CALVIN JACKSON HODGSON: Born August 20, 1846; died June 12, 1935. He was married to Cornelius Ellen Campbell in 1870. To this union were born eleven children; nine are living. Mr. Hodgson has been a devoted and consistent member of Buffalo Church since 1886.

CARREL DICKSON: Born September 19, 1908; died September 27, 1934. In 1929 he was married to Ruby Miller. For seven months before his death he was confined to his bed; it was during this confinement that he made a profession of faith in Christ.

LEE LITTLE: Born September 29, 1865. He was married to Boshie Miller in 1885. Mr. Little joined Apple Grove Baptist church in 1931. His agreeable and loving disposition radiating from a Christ-filled life made him one of the foremost members of the church. He is survived by a wife and ten children.

MRS. MAGGIE M. GOODMAN: born July 15, 1875; died April 14, 1935, making her stay on earth 59 years, 8 months and 29 days. She was married to J. P. Goodman Jan. 3, 1891. To this union were born six children, four boys, two girls: A. Dell of West Jefferson, Clint of Bluefield, W. Va., Parker of Knoxville Tenn., Lloyd of Franklin, Mrs. Mattie Parson of West Jefferson, and Mrs. Foy Gerald of Aynor, S. C. (all of them now living). Two grandchildren, Little Joe Goodman and Little Barbara Gerald, one brother and one sister, Bud Faw and Mrs. Matilda Miller also survive her. She professed faith in Christ while young, and joined Bethel Baptist Church, and remained one of it's most faithful and devoted members until death.

TABLE I. CHURCH MEMBERSHIP, ETC. ASHE ASSOCIATION FOR AUGUST, 1935

HURCHES, PASTORS AND POST OFFICES	Town, Villarge or Country Church	When Constituted	Days of Meeting	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP														
				Membership Last Year	GAINS				LOSSES				Total Members Now	Weekly Prayer Meetings	Revivals During Year	Lord's Sup. Dur. Yr.	Receiving Bap. paper
					Baptisms	Letters	Statements	Restorations	Letters	Exclusions	Erasures	Deaths					
›ple Grove—C. L. Stike, White Tope, Va.	C	1899	3	61											1	1	1
ld Mountain—G. C. Burkett, Jefferson, N. C.	C	1910	2	83								2	81	No	1	1	
ptist Home—T. A. Farmer, Lansing, N. C.	C	1890	3	79	1								80	No			
aver Creek—H. M. Winkler, Todd, N. C.	C	1890	2	66		2			2	4			73	No			
‹thel—E. Z. Sexton, Lansing, N. C.	C	1851	2		31		1		6			3	105	Yes	1		
Big Flats—G. L. Trivett, W. Jefferson, N. C.	C	1905	3	50	9	2		3	1	2			61	No	1	1	1
Big Laurel—Lee Howell, Husk, N. C.	C	1880	1	53								1	52	No	1	1	1
Bristol—A. C. Ashley, Warrensville, N. C.	C	1928	1										84	No		1	
Buffalo—T. A. Farmer, Lansing, N. C.	C	1869	4	145	1				1			1	143	No	1	1	1
Chesnut Hill—A. C. Ashley, Warrensville, N. C.	C	1928	2	47					2	3			42	No		1	
Clifton—A. C. Ashley, Warrensville, N. C.	C	1923	3	46	14	2	15					1	77	No	1	1	
Friendship—W. E. Denney, Grassy Creek, N. C.	C	1880	3	152		1	4		2			1	154	Yes	1	1	
Glendale—G. A. Hamby, Lenoir, N. C.	C	1914	4	52					1			1	50	No	2	1	
Grassy Creek—J. O. Spencer, Grassy Creek, N. C.	C	1928	3	112		1					1		112	No		1	2
Healing Springs—J. O. Spencer, Grassy Creek, N. C.	C	1888	1	180	2	2	4		7				182	No		1	

Land Mark—W. E. Denney, Grassy Creek, N. C.	C	1856	4	213	4	1						2	216	No		1			
Laurel Knob—H. M. Winkler, Todd, N. C.	C	1912	4										108	Yes		1			
Liberty Grove—H. M. Winkler, Todd, N. C.	C			95	1								96	Yes	1	1			
Liberty Hill																			
Little Helton—W. E. Deney, Grassy Creek, N. C.	C	1922		61		3							64	No	1	1			
Long Branch—T. A. Farmer, Lansing, N. C.	C	1889	1	80	6		9					1	94	Yes	1	1			
Mission Home—H. M. Winkler, Todd, N. C.	C	1892	1	94	1	3		1					97	Yes	1	1			
Mountain View—J. F. Reece, Johnston City, Tenn.	C			101	2			1	6	25			69	Yes	1	1			
New River—J. O. Spencer, Grassy Creek, N. C.	C	1889	4	91		3		2				1	91	No					
Oak Hill—E. Z. Sexton, Lansing, N. C.	C	1927	3	37	4	1		1				1	42	Yes	1	1			
Obids—G. C. Burkett, Jefferson, N. C.	C	1903	1	63								1	62	No	1	1			
Old Fields—G. L. Trivett, West Jefferson, N. C.	C	1803	4	80	14								94	No	2	1	1		
Orion—E. Z. Sexton, Edison, N. C.	C	1911	1	82	1			1				1	81		1	1			
Peak Valley—J. R. Trivett, Mable, N. C.	C	1892	4	26									30	No	1	1			
Phoenix—W. E. Denney, Grassy Creek, N. C.	C	1908	2	118	12	3		1				1	131	Yes	1	1	3		
Pilot Mt.—H. M. Winkler, Todd, N. C.	C	1899	3	74									74	No		1			
Pleasant Branch—Lester Denney, Grassy Creek, N. C.	C	1931	2	39								1	38	No	1	1			
Pleasant Hill—Lee Howell, Husk, N. C.	C	1900		43	1			4		3			37	No	2	1			
Pleasant Home—C. L. Stike, White Top, Va.	C	1870	4		1	2		2					52	No	1	1			
Pleasant Valley—E. A. Eller, Grassy Creek, N. C.	C	1926	1	79	1	3				1			82	No	1	1			
Sabbath Home—H. L. Coffey, Volney, Va.	C	1932	1	43	11		3	1					56	No		1			
Smethport—E. Z. Sexton, Lansing, N. C.	V	1925	4	77	3							2	78						
Sturgills—C. L. Stike, White Top, Va.	C	1933	1	16	1	4							21	Yes	1	1	1		
Tuckerdale—E. A. Eller, Grassy Creek, N. C.	V	1917	2	77								1	76	No	1	1			
Valley Home—T. A. Farmer, Lansing, N. C.	C	1816	2		19	5							78						
Warrensville—H. L. Coffey, Volney, Va.	V		3	52	2	2							56	No		1			
West Jefferson—W. T. Whittington, West Jefferson, N. C.	T			206	23	22	6	9					248	Yes	1	1			
Welcome Home—A. C. Ashley, Warrensville, N. C.	C	1934	2										21	Yes	?	1			
				2973	165	62	42	4	44	15	30	21	3488						

TABLE II. SUNDAY SCHOOLS OF ASHE BAPTIST ASSO., STATE OF N. C. AUGUST, 1935

CHURCHES, SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST OFFICES	Beginners 3-5 Yrs.	Primaries 6-8 Yrs.	Juniors 9-12 Years	Intermediates 13-16 Years	Young People 17-24 Years	Adults 25 Years and Up	Cradle Roll Under 3 Years	Officers and Teachers	Total Enrollment	What Is Your Average Attend'ce?	Is the School Graded?	It Is Standard A-1?	Teachers Holding Normal Diplomas
Apple Grove													
Bald Mountain—Rexford Campbell, W. Jefferson	12		15	18		12		6	63	42	No	No	
Baptist Home—W. R. Brown, Parker	5	5	2	8	19	29	1	5	70	43	No	No	
Beaver Creek—Hayden Goodman, W. Jefferson									55	35	No		
Bethel—A. D. Goodman, W. Jefferson	16	8	14	10	12	16		8	84	30	No	No	2
Big Flatts—H. V. Walker, Fleetwood	10	9	18	38		38		7	120	36	No	No	2
Big Laurel—Mattie Rupard, Hemlock	7	7	8		8	13	3	4	50	20	Yes	No	
Bristol—William Mullis, Jefferson		14	24			20		5	46	42	No		
Buffalo—W. A. Campbell, W. Jefferson	5	6	14	5	10	20		8	68	46	No		
Chestnut Hill—W. H. McMillan, Crumpler		12	15		25	12	6	5	75	35	No	No	
Clifton													
Friendship—David Burkett, Jefferson													
Glendale—J. E. Whitley, Glendale Springs	20		12	9		18		7	76	69	No	No	1
Grassy Creek—F. C. Nye, Grassy Creek		6	8	14	21	20		8	77	40	No	No	2
Healing Springs—Frank McMillan, Crumpler		10	12	12	30	25		8	80	75	No	No	3
Landmark—W. W. Blackburn, Grassy Creek								6	81	50	No	No	
Laurel Knob—G. S. Halman, Todd		14	13		12	11		6	56	35	No	No	

Liberty Grove—C. E. Howell, Todd	11	9	8	15	25	34		7	95	49	No	Yes	
Liberty Hill													
Little Helton—Carl Sexton, Grassy Creek		8	10	16		12		5	80	46	No	No	
Long Branch—Oscar Poe, Lansing		15	12		20	21		7	75	35	No		1
Mission Home—J. C. Greene Fleetwood	17		10		8	17	3	5	50	40	No	No	
Obids—D. C. Severt, Othello								6		34			
New River—W. D. Brown, Weavers Ford								8	78	38	No	No	
Oak Hill—G. W. Blevins, Jefferson	6	5	6	8	3	5	4	4	40	35	No		
Old Fields—W. M. Blackburn, Brownwood								9	70	45			
Orion—Wiley Lambert, Jefferson	6	8	12	10	22	10		6	77				
Peak Valley—C. W. Brown, Creston	21		26	21		23		6	97	50	No	No	
Phoenix—James C. Eller, Bina	5	9	7	27		39		8	95	35	No	No	
Pilot Mountain—Robert Phillips, Brownwood	13		9	13		17		7	59	39	No	No	
Pleasant Branch													
Pleasant Hill													
Pleasant Home—Curtis Handy, Grassy Creek								5	30	15			
Pleasant Valley—G. L. Denney, Grassy Creek								6	40				
Sabbath Home—C. W. Sexton, Edison	9		7	12		11		4	43	25			
Smethport													
Sturgills—Herbert Powers, Sturgills	4	5	6	5		15		7	53	30	No	No	
Tuckerdale	10		12	16		13		7	58	30	No	No	
Valley Home—W. T. A. Jones, Toliver	20		17	20		18		5		50	No		
Warrensville—John Burkett, Warrensville	8	7	15	15		10		7	62	42			
West Jefferson—James Haire, West Jefferson	14	22	25	26	36	53		6	182	95	Yes		
Welcome Home—H. T. Goodman, Jefferson	19	9	39			62			110				
TOTALS	238	188	376	318	251	594	17	208	2395	1331			

Baptisms from School: Landmark, 2; Phoenix, 5; West Jefferson, 17.

Did You Hold a Vacation Bible School? West Jefferson, Yes.

TABLE III. CHURCH PROPERTY OF ASHE BAPTIST ASSO. YEAR ENDING AUG. 1935

CHURCHES, CHURCH CLERKS AND POST OFFICES	Does Your Church Own Its House of Worship?	When Was It Built?	Materials Used	Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	No. of Assembly Rooms	No. of Class Rooms	Value of Church House and Grounds	Value of Pastor's Home	Total Value All Church Property	Indebtedness on All Church Property
Apple Grove—H. A. Miller, White Top, Va.	Yes	1899	Wood	300	1			$ 650	$	$ 650	$
Bald Mountain—John Goodman, West Jefferson	Yes	1910	Wood	300	1			1300		1300	
Baptist Home—W. R. Brown, Parker	Yes	1890	Wood	300	1	2		950		950	
Beaver Creek—Hayden Goodman, West Jefferson	Yes	1900	Wood	400	1			600		600	
Belthel—R. G. Phillips, Oval	Yes	1922	Wood	300	1			3000		3000	
Big Flats—Miss Mary Jordan, Fleetwood	Yes	1908	Wood	200	1			1100		1100	
Big Laurel—Mattie Rupard, Hemlock	Yes	1903	Wood	200	1			1350		1350	
Bristol—Louise Proctor, Jefferson	Yes	1928	Wood	150	1			800		800	
Buffalo—Mrs. Myrtle Harless, Smethport	Yes	1868	Wood	250	1			700		700	
Chesnut Hill—W. H. McMillan, Crumpler	Yes	1931	Wood	300	1			1500		1500	45
Clifton—D. F. Shoemake, Warrensville	Yes	1903	Wood	300	1			1000		1000	
Friendship—Clifford Marsh, Jefferson	Yes	1909	Wood	400	1			1600		1600	
Glendale—Ellen Bowlin, Glendale Springs	Yes	1915	Wood	200	1			1500		1500	
Grassy Creek—Mrs. F. C. Nye, Grassy Creek	Yes	1928	Wood	300	1			3000		3000	
Healing Springs—Mrs. Sallie Baker, Crumpler	Yes	1888	Wood	300	3	2	2	2500		2700	

Landmark—T. A. Jones	Yes	1909	Wood	300	1			3000		3000	
Laurel Knob—G. S. Halman, Todd	Yes	1910	Wood	200	1			500		500	
Liberty Grove—J. P. Howell, Fleetwood	Yes							1200	217	1417	
Liberty Hill											
Little Helton—Carl Sexton, Grassy Creek	Yes	1925	Wood	300	1			2000		2000	
Long Branch—J. G. Welch, Lansing	Yes	1920	Wood	300	1			1500		1520	
Mission Home—J. H. Gentry, West Jefferson	Yes	1900	Wood	300	1			1600		1600	
Mountain View											
New River—W. D. Brown, Weavers Ford	Yes		Wood	400	1	1	1	1500		1500	
Oak Hill—J. A. Campbell, Jefferson	Yes	1927	Wood	300	1			1500	1200	2700	
Obids—Mrs. Nettie McNeill, Obids	Yes	1903	Wood	400	1			2000		2000	
Old Fields—W. M. Blackburn, Brownwood	Yes	1926	Wood	400	1			4000		4000	
Orion—J. F. Dillard, Jefferson	Yes	1911	Wood	300	1			2500		2500	
Peak Valley—Mrs. Queen Elliott, Creston	Yes	1892	Wood	300	1			800		800	
Phoenix—Mrs. F. L. Waddell, Bina	Yes	1912	Wood	300	2			2500		2500	
Pilot Mountain—Glenn Miller, Laxon	Yes		Wood	200	1			500		500	
Pleasant Branch—J. V. Reedy, Grassy Creek		1931	Wood	175	1			500		500	
Pleasant Hill—F. D. Farmer, White Top, Va.	Yes	1900	Wood	300	1			800		800	
Pleasant Home—Lee Waddell, Grassy Creek	Yes	1898	Wood	200	1			2000		2000	
Pleasant Valley—Blaine Phipps, Grassy Creek	Yes	1926	Wood	300	1			600		600	
Sabbath Home—Mrs. C. L. Goss, Lansing	Yes	1932	Wood	250	1			1500		1500	
Smethport—P. S. Bumgardner, Smethport	Yes	1925	Wood	300	1			500		500	45
Sturgills—Miss Olla Pennington, Sturgills	Yes	1934	Wood	250	1			500		500	24
Tuckerdale—Frank Tucker, Jr., Tuckerdale	Yes	1917	Wood	400	1			1500		1500	
Valley Home—Vyrus Miller, Toliver	Yes	1916	Wood	350	1			1000			
Warrenville—J. H. Ashley, Warrensville	Yes	1929	Wood	200	1			1500		1500	
West Jefferson—W. B. Tribble, West Jefferson	Yes	1929	Brick	700	9	1	8	15000		15000	1075
Welcome Home—C. A. Goodman, Jefferson											
TOTALS								$85500	1417	$89637	1189

TABLE IV. GIFTS FOR LOCAL CHURCH WORK OF ASHE BAPTIST ASSO. AUGUST 1935

CHURCHES, REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES	Pastor's Salary	Ministerial Help and Supply	Church Debt and Interest	Literature for S.S.etc.	For Printing Minutes and Clerk of Asso.	Given by Church	Given by the S. S.	Total Given for Local Purposes
Apple Grove—A. P. Howell, White Top, Va.					1.00			
Bald Mountain—W. L. Houck, West Jefferson	65.69				1.00	66.69	8.00	74.69
Baptist Home—W. R. Brown, Parker	20.00				1.00			
Beaver Creek—Hayden Goodman, West Jefferson	47.00			1.95	9.56	51.60		51.60
Bethel—R. G. Phillips, Oval	62.00	31.00			1.09			149.77
Big Flatts—P. H. Haire, Fleetwood	59.50	4.90			2.10	77.10	5.86	96.71
Big Laurel—Earl M. Roten, Hemlock	15.70				1.00	131.70		131.70
Bristol—Louise Proctor, Jefferson	35.00			2.60	1.60	37.60		37.60
Buffalo—Mrs. Myrtle Harless, Smethport	80.00	26.00			2.00		6.96	114.96
Chestnut Hill—W. D. McMillan, Crumpler	53.25		33.00	7.80	1.50	95.55		95.55
Clifton—D. F. Shoemaker, Warrensville	50.00	15.43			2.75	83.00		83.00
Friendship—T. K. Luther, Jefferson	72.58	3.75			4.00	93.84		93.84
Glendale—Gordon Severt, Glendale Springs	23.82	2.00		5.14	1.29	32.25		32.25
Grassy Creek—Mrs. F. C. Nye Grassy Creek	32.25			12.00	2.00	46.25		46.25
Healing Springs—Mrs. Sallie Baker, Crumpler	75.00			12.00	3.75			97.90
Landmark—T. A. Jones, Grassy Creek	43.85				5.00	63.85		63.85
Laurel Knob—Lawson Edwards, Todd	64.65				1.50	68.15	1.00	69.15
Liberty Grove—C. E. Howell, Todd	135.25		17.00		1.00	278.25	19.25	297.50
Liberty Hill								
Little Helton—Carl Sexton, Grassy Creek	40.77	5.39			2.75	48.89	3.82	52.71
Long Branch—Carl Sexton, Edison	26.15	34.00			3.00	85.75	7.20	92.95

Mission Home—J. H. Gentry, West Jefferson	70.77	22.00			1.35		10.00	103.77
Mountain View								
New River—W. D. Brown, Weavers Ford	37.25				3.41	42.40	14.20	56.60
Oak Hill—J. A. Campbell, Jefferson	34.00	27.00			1.55	62.55		62.55
Obids—Jones Parsons, Obids	21.89	3.00		7.53	.70	38.12		38.12
Old Fields—Mrs. J. E. Cheek, Idlewild	125.80	37.31			2.50	183.81	12.03	210.70
Orion—Fields Bare, Jefferson	110.00	13.00		17.00	2.00	195.00		195.90
Peak Valley—Mrs. Queen Elliott, Creston	15.00				.50	15.50		15.50
Phoenix—Mrs. F. L. Waddell, Bina	110.00	40.00			5.80	218.00	20.00	238.00
Pilot Mountain—Ethel Phillips, Laxon	60.80			8.41	1.00			101.21
Pleasant Branch—J. V. Reedy, Grassy Creek	3.00				1.50	4.50		4.50
Pleasant Hill—Wiley Farmer, White Top, Va.		14.30	3.16		1.25	18.61		18.61
Pleasant Home—Lee Waddell, Grassy Creek	19.80	14.11		1.55	2.75	47.37		47.37
Pleasant Valley Blaine Phipps, Grassy Creek	16.46				1.92	24.71		24.71
Sabbath Home—Mrs. C. L. Goss, Lansing	73.21	18.90	6.25	8.00	1.50	132.56		132.56
Smethport—P. S. Bumgardner, Smethport			10.00			25.00		25.00
Sturgills—Miss Ola Pennington, Sturgills	25.00		16.00	10.00	1.00	52.00		52.00
Tuckerdale—Wade H. Darnell, Tuckerdale	32.00	18.00		8.75	3.00	72.25		72.25
Valley Home—Vyrus Miller, Toliver	23.00	57.00			3.00	93.00	7.70	100.70
Warrensville—J. H. Ashley, Warrensville	58.00			6.00	1.50	78.50		78.50
West Jefferson—W. B. Tribble, West Jefferson	718.00	190.32	35.00		4.00	980.39	82.79	1102.18
Welcome Home—C. A. Goodman, Jefferson	75.00	20.00		16.00	3.04	114.04		114.04
TOTALS	2665.64	598.41	120.41	125.73	73.50	3658.78	198.81	4475.65

Other Salaries: Tuckerdale, 11.00.

Building and Repairs: Beaver Creek, $1.70; Bethel, $53.68; Long Branch, $3.20; Orion, $25.00; Phoenix, $48.00; Sabbath Home, $24.70; Smethport, $15.00; Tuckerdale, $10.00; Big Laurel, $100.00; Total, 286.23.

Incidentals: Big Flatts, $5.70; Friendship, $3.18; Landmark $15.00; Laurel Knob, $2.00; Long Branch, $11.40; New River, $2.15; Obids, $5.00, Orion, $8.00; Phoenix, $5.00; Pilot Mountain, $32.00; West Jefferson, $71.07; Total, $160.50.

Help Given to Local Poor: Big Flatts, $5.00; Big Laurel, $15.00; Healing Springs, $7.00; Liberty Grove, $20.00; Long Branch, $8.00; Old Fields, $19.00; Orion, $20.00; Phoenix, $10.00; Warrensville, $15.; Total, $119.

Other Objects: Bethel, $2.00; Clifton, $15.07; Liberty Grove, $105.00; Pleasant Home, $9.41; Pleasant Valley, $6.33; Total $137.81.

Given by W.M.U. Organizations: Big Flatts, $8.75; Old Field, $8.60; West Jefferson, $35.00; Total, $52.35.

TABLE V. GIFTS FOR MISSIONS, EDUCATION AND ALL BENEVOLENCES, AUGUST 1935

CHURCHES, REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES	Total to Co-operative Program	Special to Orphanage	Special Hospitals	Given by the Church	Given by W. M. U.	Given by Sunday School	Total Given for Missions and Benevolences	Grand Total for All Purposes
Apple Grove—A. P. Howell, White Top, Va.		2.50	2.50				5.00	6.00
Bald Mountain—W. L. Houck, West Jefferson	4.00					6.15	10.15	84.84
Baptist Home—W. R. Brown, Parker								21.00
Beaver Creek—Hayden Goodman, West Jefferson	12.63			14.13			14.13	64.78
Bethel—R. G. Phillips, Oval	3.00	35.47	4.20	42.67			42.67	191.35
Big Flatts—P. H. Haire, Fleetwood	3.90	23.00		26.90	28.24	14.84	69.98	161.69
Big Laurel—Earl M. Roten, Hemlock		1.00	2.00	4.00				135.70
Bristol—Louise Proctor, Jefferson	10.00	5.00	2.00	17.00			17.00	54.60
Buffalo—Mrs. Myrtle Harless, Smethport	4.00						31.55	146.51
Chestnut Hill—W. H. McMillan, Crumpler		18.90	17.40	36.30			36.30	131.85
Clifton—D. F. Shoemaker, Warrensivlle		12.07	3.00	15.07			15.07	95.57
Friendship—T. K. Luther, Jefferson		9.68	7.50	17.18			17.18	111.02
Glendale—Gordon Severt, Glendale Springs			3.15					36.40
Grassy Creek—Mrs. F. C. Nye, Grassy Creek	43.19	62.85	9.45	115.49			115.49	162.74
Healing Spring—Mrs. Sallie Baker, Crumpler	11.45	40.87	9.18	69.33			69.33	190.13
Land Mark—T. A. Jones, Grassy Creek		51.15	10.65	61.80			61.80	123.65
Laurel Knob—Lawson Edwards, Todd	12.34		3.61	15.95			15.95	91.75

Liberty Grove—C. E. Howell, Todd						12.96	12.96	310.46
Liberty Hill								
Little Helton—Carl Sexton, Grassy Creek	4.20		15.50	19.50			19.50	68.21
Long Branch—Carl Sexton, Edison	5.00	13.10	1.20	20.85		5.00	25.85	108.80
Mission Home—J. H. Gentry, West Jefferson		41.25		41.25		29.22	62.59	166.36
Mountain View								
New River—W. D. Brown, Weavers Ford	32.47	49.85		82.32		4.00	86.32	142.92
Oak Hill—J. A. Campbell, Jefferson								62.55
Obids—Jones Parsons, Obids								38.12
Old Fields—Mrs. J. E. Cheek, Idlewild		34.94	4.00	38.94	13.00	3.48	55.42	240.52
Orion—Fields Bare, Jefferson		8.15	28.60	36.75			36.75	231.75
Peak Valley—Mrs. Queen Elliott, Creston		4.50	7.79	12.29			12.29	27.29
Phoenix—Mrs. F. L. Waddell, Bina	30.00	40.64	22.26	92.90		9.23	101.13	339.13
Pilot Mountain—Ethel Phillips, Laxon			3.00	6.97				108.18
Pleasant Branch—J. V. Reedy, Grassy Creek								3.00
Pleasant Hill—Wiley Farmer, White Top, Va.							7.00	18.61
Pleasant Home—Lee Waddell, Grassy Creek	9.00		34.35	43.35			9.00	90.72
Pleasant Valley—Blain Phipps, Grassy Creek								24.71
Sabbath Home—Mrs. C. L. Goss, Lansing								131.06
Smethport—P. S. Bumgardner, Smethport								25.00
Sturgills—Miss Olla Pennington, Sturgills		2.00	1.00	3.50				54.50
Tuckerdale—Wade H. Darnell, Tuckerdale		5.00	3.00	8.00				80.25
Valley Home—Vyrus Miller, Toliver		1.61	6.01	7.62				104.72
Warrensville—J. H. Ashley, Warrensville				71.00				149.50
West Jefferson—W. B. Tribble, West Jefferson	15.00			15.00		39.48	54.18	1156.36
Welcome Home—C. A. Goodman, Jefferson			2.00	2.00				113.00
TOTALS	200.18	463.53	203.35	905.39	41.24	124.36	1004.09	5605.30

Special to Associational Missions: Beaver Creek, $1.50.
Special to State Missions: Healing Springs, $7.83.
Special to Home Missions: Long Branch, $1.55.
Special to Foreign Missions: Pilot Mountain, $3.97; Sturgills, 50 cents; total, $4.47.
Other Special Gifts: Big Laurel, $1.00.

TABLE VI. THE B.Y.P.U's. AND W.M.U's. AUG. 1935

CHURCHES	Number of Woman's Missionary Societies	Number of Y.W.A's.	Number of G.A's	Number of R.A's	Number of Sunbeams	Total W.M.U. Organizations	W.M.S. Members	Y.W.A's Members	G.A's. Members	R.A's. Members	Sunbeam Members	Total Members Enrolled
Big Flatts --	1		1		1	3	8		12		19	39
Phoenix ----	1						6					
W. Jefferson_	1	1		1		3	28	10		12		50

West Jefferson: Senior Unions, 1; Junior Unions, 1; Total Unions, 2; Seniors Enrolled, 20; Juniors Enrolled, 25; Total Enrolled, 45.

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DIRECTORY OF ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICERS

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W. A. CAMPBELL, Clerk and Treasurer--West Jefferson, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND BOARD OF MISSIONS

IRA T. JOHNSTON, Chairman----Jefferson, N. C.
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W. T. HARLESS----West Jefferson, N. C.
HAYDEN GOODMAN----West Jefferson, N. C.
J. W. GAMBILL----West Jefferson, N. C.

STANDING COMMITTEE—1937

State Missions----C. L. Blevins, Crumpler, N. C.
Home Missions----G. S. Holman, Todd, N. C.
Foreign Missions----Bryan Oliver
Sunday Schools----Rexford Campbell, West Jefferson, N. C.
Biblical Recorder----F. C. Nye
Hospital----C. G. Denny, Grassy Creek, N. C.
Orphanage----H. T. Gentry, Fleetwood, N. C.
Christian Education----Fred N. Cook, West Jefferson, N. C.
Pastoral Support----H. C. Greene, Fleetwood, N. C.
Temperance----Jesse Bare, Orion, N. C.
Old Ministers' Relief----L. M. Cheek, Idlewild, N. C.
Obituaries----Clark Houck, West Jefferson, N. C.
B. Y. P. U.----D. C. Severt, West Jefferson, N. C.
W. M. U.----Miss Minnie Haire, Fleetwood, N. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS OF ASHE ASSOCIATION

Ashley, A. C.---Warrensville, N. C.
Barker, W. F.---Grassy Creek, N. C.
Bennett, H. M.---Apple Grove, N. C.
Blackburn, Wiley---Jefferson, N. C.
Blevins, E.---Grassy Creek, N. C.
Blevins, L. W.---Grassy Creek, N. C.
Blevins, J. C.---Grassy Creek, N. C.
Blevins, J. J.---Grassy Creek, N. C.
Burkett, R. M.---Jefferson, N. C.
Burkett, G. C.---Jefferson, N. C.
Campbell, J. A.---Bina, N. C.
Childers, Joseph---Weavers Ford, N. C.
Cockerham, T. J.---Crumpler, N. C.
Coffey, H. L.---Volney, Va.
Cope, C. M.---Crumpler, N. C.
Denney, G. L.---Grassy Creek, N. C.
Denney, W. E.---Grassy Creek, N. C.
Dolinger, R. L.---Sturgills, N. C.
Davis, J. A.---Unknown
Eller, E. A.---Grassy Creek, N. C.
Farmer, T. A.---Lansing, N. C.
Gentry, J. H.---West Jefferson, N. C.
Haire, P. H.---Fleetwood, N. C.
Hamby, J. M.---Bina, N. C.
Hurley, W. L.---Grassy Creek, N. C.
Hays, T. M.---Nathans Creek, N. C.
Howell, Lee---Husk, N. C.
Howell, J. G.---Grassy Creek, N. C.
Keller, L. N.---Fleetwood, N. C.
Neaves, J. M.---Crumpler, N. C.
Osborne, Ray---Fig, N. C.
Powers, Arthur---Lansing, N. C.
Powers, Luther---Lansing, N. C.
Parsons, C. C.---Grassy Creek, N. C.
Sexton, C. W.---Edison, N. C.
Sexton, E. Z.---Lansing, N. C.
Sturgill, J. R.---Sturgills, N. C.
Stanley, Frank---Lansing, N. C.
Stike, C. L.---White Top, Va.
Spencer, J. O.---Grassy Creek, N. C.
Testerman, Luther---Lansing N. C.
Trivett, J. S.---Fleetwood, N. C.
Trivett, G. L.---West Jefferson, N. C.
Thomas, W. R.---Unknown
Wilcox, Joseph---West Jefferson, N. C.
Winkler, H. M.---Todd, N. C.
Wyatt, Eldreth---Lansing, N. C.
Wyatt, Preston---White Top, Va.
Whittington, W. T.---West Jefferson, N. C.

LIST OF MESSENGERS

Apple Grove----------W. M. Little, A. P. Howell, Casie Miller
Bald Mountain----W. L. Houck, Millard Holman, Ilene Campbell
Beaver Creek----L. L. Pierce, H. Goodman, Mrs. J. O. Goodman
Bethel----------R. G. Phillips, Baker Harless, J. V. Goodman
Big Flats----------F. L. Houck, Mary Jordan, Ira Jordan
Big Laurel------Ambrose Roten, Earl M. Roten, Miss Lura Barr
Bristol----------Elmer Mullis, Howard Dixon, Louise Proctor
Buffalo----W. T. Harless, Arthur Lewis, Mrs. Howard Graybeal
Chestnut Hill---W. H. McMillan, S. M. Blevins, Hayes McMillan
Clifton--------D. F. Shoemaker, Nathan Richardson, H. L. Eller
Friendship----------Troy Shatley, Bertie Dixon
Glendale---G. Severt, Ellen Bowlin, G. Miller, Virginia Whitley
Grassy Creek--Dewey Cox, R. W. Blackburn, Miss Stella Blevins
Healing Springs-------M. M. Blevins, C. L. Blevins, L. W. Baker
Landmark----------Gwyn Denney, Coy Barker, T. R. Jones
Laurel Knob--------W. R. Grubb, Joe Goodman, G. S. Holman
Liberty Grove----------Joe Green, G. W. Day, M. H. Goodman
Little Helton--------Delbert Cooper, Lida Paisley, Carl Sexton
Long Branch----------Joseph Poe, Z. R. Barr, M. Welch
Mission Home-------George Parsons, Bill Trivett, H. C. Greene
Mountain View----Claud Welch, Paul Coldiron, Charlie Smiley
New River----------C. L. Grace, W. D. Brown, Jewel Brown
Oak Hill----------Jackson Barker, Belle Kilby, Edd Blackburn
Obids--------Heggie Parsons, D. H. Burgess, Mrs. D. H. Burgess
Old Fields------L. M. Cheek, Oscar Griffin, Mrs. Ferry Hartsog
Orion----------Jesse Bare, W. M. Dillard, Jones Dillard
Peak Valley----------Tom Monday, Mrs. Tom Monday
Phoenix----------J. W. Barr, E. C. Eller, Ralph Baldwin
Pilot Mountain--------W. L. Byland, T. J. McGuire, Glen Miller
Pleasant Branch----------T. F. Halsey, J. V. Reedy, Keith Reedy
Pleasant Home----Lee Waddell, Edgar Deboard, Kaney Spencer
Pleasant Valley------Leslie Jones, Arthur Marsh, Blaine Phipps
Sabbath Home----Mrs. C. L. Sexton, Mrs. C. L. Goss, John Goss
Sturgills----Isom Sturgill, Mrs. Isom Sturgill, Charlie Sizemore
Tuckerdale----------G. C. Jones, W. H. Darnell, Blaine Powers
Valley Home------McKinley Miller, Joe Miller, W. T. A. Jones
Warrensville----------John Burkett, W. P. Shoaf, A. E. Reed
West Jefferson----Ira T. Johnston, D. C. Severt, Ballard Harless
Welcome Home--Earl Goodman, Gordon Witherspoon, R. Kelley

CONSTITUTION

Article 1. This body shall be called the Ashe Association.

OBJECTS

Article 2. The object of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the gospel in our bounds, and in all the world, and in this work the Association will co-operate with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

MEMBERSHIP

Article 3. The members of this body shall be all the ordained ministers of the churches of the Association, and three delegates from each church. A letter certifying their appointment and giving statistics of the membership and work of the church shall be sent to the Clerk at least fifteen days before the opening of the session.

ORGANIZATION

Article 4. At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a Moderator and a Clerk and Treasurer. This election shall take place hereafter at the end of each session, and those elected shall serve through the next session.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Article 5. The Moderator shall preside at all meetings, preserve order, appoint committees, and perform such duties as are required of presiding officers.

Article 6. The Clerk shall keep a correct record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing and distribution to the churches, the proceedings of the body.

Article 7. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent to the Association, to pay them out as the Association may direct, and make a report at each annual session.

TIME AND PLACE

Article 8. The Association shall hold an annual meeting at such time and place as may be agreed upon.

APPOINTMENTS

Article 9. At each annual meeting there shall be appointed an executive committee of five brethren who shall look after the destitution in the bounds of this Association, and co-operate with the State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention, making to the next session a report of the work done and all the general State Mission work.

Article 10. Association shall convene annually on the last Friday in August. At each annual session there shall be appointed committees to make reports to the ensuing session, on the following subjects, to wit: State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Pastoral Support, Ministerial Education, Baptist Orphanage, Biblical Recorder, Temperance, Digest of Church Letters, Finance, Place and Preacher for next Association, and Baptist Hospital.

ORDER OF RELIGIOUS EXERCISES

Article 11. Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

Article 12. In addition to the introductory sermon, the committee on religious exercises shall arrange at least one other sermon each day the Association is in session and all business shall be suspended while the sermon is being delivered; but no sermon shall be scheduled while the Association is engaged in a business session.

PRERROGATIVES

Article 13. The Association will not retain in permanent fellowship any church that retains in its fellowship any member who is disorderly in doctrine or practice, or who makes, sells, or in any way deals in ardent spirits as a beverage.

CONSTITUTION—HOW AMENDED

Article 14. This Constitution may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual session.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES

1st. We believe in one true and living God, and that there are three persons in the God-head, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, and that these three are one.

2nd. We believe that the Bible, the New Testament, is the Word of God and the only rule of faith and practice.

3rd. We believe in the impotency of man and the sovereignity of God.

4th. We believe that salvation is by Grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5th. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ to be practiced only by believers in their spiritual order.

6th. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator, and that those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and doctrine, should take the Lord's Supper.

7th. We believe in the final perseverance of the saints in grace to glory.

8th. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and general judgement.

9th. We believe that the existence of the righteous and the wicked will both be of eternal duration, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

RULES OF ORDER

1. Every session shall be opened and closed by prayer.
2. When the Moderator calls the house to order, every member shall at once take his seat.
3. When a member wishes to speak he shall rise and address the Moderator, and not proceed until he is recognized.
4. No member shall speak more than twice on any subject except by permission of the body.
5. No member shall leave the body during the session without permission of the Moderator.
6. It shall be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold private conversation while any person is speaking.

PROGRAM OF ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Friday Morning, August 27, 1937

9:45 Singing
9:55 Prayer led by Rev. H. M. Winkler
10:00 Introductory Sermon by Rev. J. O. Spencer
Alternate: Rev. H. M. Winkler
10:30 Reception of Churches and Visitors
10:45 Appointment of Committees
11:00 Reports on Sunday Schools and Orphanage
12:15 Adjournment for lunch

Friday Afternoon

1:15 Cooperative Program: Reports on State, Home, and Foreign Missions
2:15 Report on Biblical Recorder
2:45 Sermon, Rev. C. W. Sexton
3:15 Announcement of Homes for Messengers and Visitors
3:30 Adjournment

Saturday Morning, August 28, 1937

9:30 Devotional, Rev. L. N. Kellar
10:00 Report on Pastors' Salaries and Old Ministers' Relief
11:30 Sermon, Rev H. L. Coffey
12:15 Adjournment for lunch
1:15 Report on Temperance
1:45 Reports on W. M. U. and B. Y. P. U.
2:15 Reports of Local Committees
2:30 Election of Officers and Miscellaneous
3:00 Adjournment

Sunday Morning, August 29, 1937

10:30 Singing and Worship
11:00 Sermons, Revs. W. E. Denny and E. Z. Sexton
12:30 Adjournment

FIFTIETH ANNUAL SESSION OF ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION MET WITH MISSION HOME BAPTIST CHURCH FRIDAY MORNING AUGUST 28, 1936

The introductory sermon was preached by Rev. C. W. Sexton.

1. Call for new churches.
2. Call for visitors—the following were seated with the body: I. G. Greer, superintendent at Baptist Orphanage; R. F. Terrel, Center Association; M. A. Adams, Blue Ridge; J. E. Shoemaker, Lebenon, Va.; Rev. and Mrs. W. M. Gerald, Marion (S. C.) Association.
3. By motion the Moderator appointed a committee to decide on place for next Association. Committee: Ira T. Johnston, W. T. Harless, W. E. Denney, Churches calling for the Association were Sturgills, Big Flatts, Welcome Home, and Valley Home.
4. Appointment of committees: Committee on Resolutions, B. H. Duncan, W. E. Denney, J. W. Barr; Religious Exercises, pastor and delegates of Mission Home Church; Digest of Church Letters, A. D. Goodman, E. C. Eller, W. H. McMillan.
5. Songs by Cook-Harless quartette.
6. Report on Orphanage. Report was discussed by I. G. Greer, Superintendent of the Thomasville Baptist Orphanage.
7. Adjournment for lunch. Prayer by Rev. W. E. Denney.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

1. Songs by Cook-Harless quartette. Prayer by Rev. W. F. Barker.
2. Appointment of committee to name Executive Committee: M. M. Blevins, Jesse Bare, L. M. Cheek.
3. Report on State Missions, Report on Home Missions, and Report on Foreign Missions were discussed by Ira T. Johnston, Rexford Campbell, Reverends P. H. Haire, J. E. Shoemaker, J. O. Spencer, H. M. Winkler, W. F. Barker, T. M. Hayes, and M. M. Blevins.
4. Report on Christian Education, and Report on Biblical Recorder discussed by J. F. Terrel.
5. Homes for messengers assigned.
6. Adjournment. Prayer by Rev. W. T. Whittington.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

Devotional by Rev. G. C. Burkett.

1. Call for visitors—M. O. Alexander, Raleigh Association; and Smith Hagaman, Baptist Hospital, Winston-Salem were seated with the body.
2. Report on Sunday Schools discussed by Rev. T. A. Farmer and Rexford Campbell.

3. By motion we continue to hold four Sunday School conventions each year in different parts of the county.

4. Report on Hospital discussed by Rev. W. F. Barker, G. L. Trivett, and Smith Haggerman.

5. By motion M. O. Alexander was given until 11:30 o'clock to discuss the cooperative program.

6. Sermon by Rev. W. E. Denney. Prayer by Rev. A. C. Ashley.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Prayer by Rev. E. Blevins.

1 Report on Old Ministers' Relief, Report on Pastoral Support, and Report on W. M. U. discussed by M. O. Alexander, Miss Minnie Haire, and Rev. P. H. Haire.

2. Report on Temperance discussed by M. A. Adams after which an offering was made for the United Dry force of North Carolina amounting to $9.15.

3. Report of Committee on Place for Next Association—place: Welcome Home Church. Report of Finance Committee, and Report of Committee on Resoutions.

4. Committee to proofread the Minutes was appointed: Rev. W. T. Whittington and Ira. T. Johnston.

5. By motion election of officers was taken up. By acclamation Prof. J. C. Goodman was re-elected Moderator, and W. A. Campbell was re-elected Clerk and Treasurer.

6. Adjournment. Prayer by Rev. G. L. Trivett.

RESOLUTIONS

Be it resolved by the Ashe Association in its Fiftieth Annual Association:

1. That we extend to the good people of Mission Home community our sincere appreciation for their most excellent hospitality and friendship displayed to us during this Association.

2. That we pledge to our officials our most hearty and loyal support and cooperation.

3. That we thank, most heartily, the school officials of Fleetwood school for tendering us the use of their spacious gymnasium during the sitting of this body.

4. That we extend our prayers and sympathies to our vice president, Mr. H. A. Eller,of Bina, N. C., who was ill and unable to attend this Association.

5. That we recognize and appreciate all the people of other denominations who visited and worshiped with us.

B. H. DUNCAN,
J. W. BARR,
W. E. DENNY, Committee.

We, the messengers to the Ashe Association assembled at Mission Home Church at Fleetwood, N. C. on August 30, 1936, reaffirm our conviction that dancing keeps those who engage in it from "reproducing the character of Christ" and thus deadens the Christian influence of our churches, home, and denomination. Under this conviction we petition the board of trustees of Wake Forest College to rescind their action in permitting dancing at Wake Forest College for the following resasons:

1. The effect that this permission to dance would have upon the young people in our homes The influence and example of our college students in the home and community in which they reside often determines the social standards, and where dancing is permitted and engaged in by our Baptist students while in college their influence back home is worldly, if not positively destructive of Christian ideals.

2. The effect upon our churches for our denominational schools to sanction by supervising what is a worldy pleasure would neutralize the influenec of our churches so that they would follow the exemple of our denominational colleges and permit dancing in the social rooms of our churches, as is the case in some Baptist churches today.

3. The effect it would have upon the confidence of our church members in our denominational program. If dancing is permitted at Wake Forest College which is considered a part of the Baptist work the people will not only lose confidence in the college but in our Cooperative Program, and would withdraw their support from all our work.

Respectfully submitted,

SIGNED BY THE COMMITTEE.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLACE AND PREACHER

Place: Welcome Home church; preacher to preach introductory sermon: J. O. Spencer.

IRA T. JOHNSTON,
W. T. HARLESS,
W. E. DENNY.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Your committee nominates the present Executive Committee to wit: Ira T. Johnston, Jefferson, N. C., W. D. Brown, Weaversford, N. C., W. T. Harless, West Jefferson, N. C. Hayden Goodman, West Jefferson, N. C., J. W. Gambill, West Jefferson, N. C.

Respectfully submitted,

L. M. CHEEK, Committee.
M. M. BLEVINS,
JESSE BARE,

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

Home Missions in the denomination as a whole is taking the Gospel in all its fullness, to the people of the homeland, Cuba, and Panama.

Our Home Mission board defines its tasks as: First, the preaching of the gospel to those who have it not in the isolated section, and neglected places outside the normal reaches of the churches; Second, any and all of the missionary and evangelistic tasks in the homeland which require the impact of the whole denomination for their solution, and can therefore best be handled by a southwide agency.

The activities of our Mission board are guaranteed by an honorable agreement with our creditors.

There are about 250 misisonaries and workers in the sanatoriums, schools, and good will centers. There are 598 mission stations, maintained, five goodwill centers, two rescue stations, and a seaman's institute, 29 schools are operated by the Home Mission board in Panama, Cuba, and the homeland A tubercular sanitorium in El Paso, Texas is being successfully operated.

During the past year the board has conducted its ever enlarging work, without borrowing a penny for operating expenses, and has also paid off a substantial amount of its indebtedness. Last year the board placed 36 new missionaries in the field, and opened 76 new missions. Best of all there were 3,740 conversions and baptisms by the workers and missionaries sent out by the board.

Let us, as Ashe county Baptists, catch a new vision of our Home Mission work, and give new and greater support to this great work.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. W. E. DENNY.

REPORT ON PASTORS' SALARIES

Christ commanded his deciples to go into all the world and preach the Gospel. We, of the Ashe Baptist Association, are not entitled to a good pastor if we expect one to preach twelve months for $61.99 (or $5.16 a month).

Brethren, we should pay our pastors so they can preach for us, and pay cash for his gas. Then the Scripture says: the Lord loveth a cheerful giver. So I believe we should not be content to let some one else pay our pastors. We should pay them ourselves and then the Lord will prosper this work.

Christ said: Be ye faithful until death and I will give thee a crown. So let us pay.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. McMILLAN.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Recognizing that the Sunday School is a necessity of the church and remembering that impressions of childhood are lasting, we deem it the duty of each pastor to urge upon our people the importance of the Sunday School. We deem it to be the duty of the parents to not merely send their children to Sunday School but to bring them in order that they may be taught the story of the Cross and the doctrines of our church. As we believe that the larger per cent of our church members came from a Sunday School, we recommend that each church in this Association strive to have and maintain a good Sunday School.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. T. A. FARMER.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTIONS

This year there were four Sunday School conventions held in the place of one. This was done to enable more of our people to attend. Full reports have not reached your secretary as to the number of churches represented in each convention. There were 18 churches represented in the three conventions that have reported in any way. The reports are as follows, numbers excepted:

District No. 1. This convention met with Landmark church. A large number of people was present. A good program was given. M. F. Denny, field worker.

District No. 2. This convention met with Mission Home church. Several churches were represented. Prof. B. H. Duncan delivered the principal address. Rev. J. H. Gentry, field worker.

District No. 3. This convention met with Clifton church. A program was given. No report otherwise. J. G. Welch, field worker.

District No. 4. This convention met with Orion church. Several churches were represented. Prof. J. C. Goodman and Rev. W T. Whittington delivered addresses.

Next year, four conventions will be held again. May your church be represented.

REV. T. A. FARMER, County Chairman,
R. R. CAMPBELL, County Secretary.

REPORT ON B. Y. P. U.

We believe that each church in our Association should maintain a B. Y. P. U. or training service for its young church members, and train them to be better soldiers for their Saviour, and in the Kingdom's work. We should be glad that at least a few of our churches are standing behind B. Y. P. U. work in their churches.

Respectfully submitted,

D. C. SEVERT.

THE BIBLICAL RECORDER

The Recorder, our much appreciated and dearly beloved denominational paper, has been and continues to be the chief religious organ of North Carolina Baptists. Its influence encircles the globe and it sends religious information to the darkest and most remote places wherever Baptists are found as well as giving to us who are at home, information that ever encourages us to carry on in the kingdom's work.

The Recorder's circulation among Ashe County Baptists is entirely too small. We wonder if every Baptist minister, Sunday School Superintendent and church leader in our bounds are subscribers to it. It might be embarrassing to this fine body of Baptists to take a roll call to ascertain its numbers among us. Assuming, however, all these are subscribers let us urge every one of them to gain other subscribers for it for the next associational year.

The position of the Recorder, during the past year, on some of the most vital and daring moral questions ever to confront North Carolina Baptists, in its defense of righteousness is sufficient in itself to cause every baptist who loves his church, his home and his Lord to start a campaign today for its increased circulation and growth among our church people.

Respectfully submitted,

B. H. DUNCAN.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

A recent Sunday School lesson has emphasized the fact that the early Christian church in Jerusalem had not caught the vision of carrying the gospel to the people of the other nations of the world. The apostle Peter saw a vision and acted upon it. However, he was accused before the church for having done so. Our own people might not have had the gospel if the early church had not become convinced that Peter's vision was from heaven in spite of the fact that Jesus had commanded in his farewell message "Go and teach all nations."

A study of the record and the statistics of the churches of the Ashe Association reveals the fact that many of our churches at least in practice stand no further forward than did the early church at Jerusalem. We might wish that the leaders of these churches might have visions such as Peter had upon the house top in Joppa. If our leaders had such a vision and would present it to the churches as Peter presented his to the church at Jerusalem, our churches themselves might also glorify God and say "Then hath God also to the Gentiles granted repentence unto life." We believe that every church and every Baptist should have some part in the great Foreign Mission program of our denomination.

Respectfully submitted,

IRA T. JOHNSTON, Committee.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF

Every Baptist should be thoughtfully and prayerfully concerned about the ministerial relief. Provision for the necessities of life should be made for old ministers and old minister's widows.

A "Fellowship Offering" taken in connection with the observance of the Lord's Supper would offer some relief.

Reports show that the sum of nearly three millions of dollars has been paid by our Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention to aged ministers and their widows. Cooperation by the churches would add much to this sum.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. PHIPPS.

REPORT ON W. M. U.

The W. M. U. of the Ashe Baptist Association held its annual meeting at Old Fields Baptist Church on Thursday, August 20, 1936. The Topic was: "Sent to Serve".

The following program was very ably rendered: Devotional —Rev. G. L. Trivett, pastor of Old Fields church; Welcome—Mrs. J. E. Cheek; Response—Mrs. J. M. Prevette; Service Through Mission Study—Mrs. J. M. Prevette; Service for Training School —Mrs. Raider; Roll call of churches, appointment of committees, and business of the Association was then taken up; Address— Rev. Canipe, pastor of Boone Baptist Church; noon recess with dinner served on the grounds; Song,"From all the Dark Places" —congregation; Devotional—Rev. P. H. Haire; Service Through Margret Fund, Mrs. W. T. Whittington; Reading—Mariam Phillips; Report of committees and the election of officers for the coming year; Short play by the children of West Jefferson church.

The officers re-elected are: Superintendent, Mrs. Ralph Parsons; Associate Superintendent, Mrs. W. T. Whittington; Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. Wick Vannoy; Young Peoples' Leader, Miss Minnie Haire; Stewardship Chairman, Miss Blanch Hartzog; Mission Study Chairman, Mrs. J. M. Prevette; Personal Service Chairman, Mrs. A. B. Vannoy.

The Association adjourned to meet next year with the Warrensville Baptist Church.

MRS. J. F. PERRY, Acting Secretary.

BRING LUNCH TO ASSOCIATION

We, the members of W. M. U. of Ashe Baptist Association, realizing the burden on the women of the local church in which our associations are held each year, advise and ask that each woman attending these Associations bring a basket and so aid these local women that they may attend and enjoy the Association.

Respectfully submitted,

W. M. U. (IN BUSINESS SESSION).

REPORT ON BAPTIST HOSPITAL

In our efforts to carry out the commission of our Saviour to heal the sick more than 32,000 have entered our hospital at Winston-Salem for treatment since its opening in 1923. The hospital is continually growing in its service to the sick. In 1933 we had an average of about 60 patients per day, in 1936 we have had an average of more than 90 per day. Much of this service is free. In 1935 the hospital gave 12,056 days of service that were paid for in full; 10,489 part-pay days; 9,336 free days and of the part pay days, there is estimated 4,882 free days.

The hospital has to depend almost entirely on the Mother's Day offerings from the churches and Sunday Schools to provide this treatment for God's poor.

Friends of the hospital, Sunday School classes, W. M. U. and others do, and may send to the hospital bed linens, trays, towels, napkins, piece goods, or canned fruits and vegetables, which will be much appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

G. L. TRIVETT.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

Perhaps there is no more important matter before our people today than the temperance question. In temperance, there exists many forms. The Scriptures teach that we are to be temperate in all things. Temperance literally means self control and that means that every person should be able to regulate his own conduct in all things and every where. So anything or agency that leads our people to loose control of themselves and thus leads to degeneration and excess is to be avoided and every restraining agency that can be brought to bear on this agency is to be fostered by our people.

It is an admitted fact that there is nothing that leads people to lose self control like the use of alcohol. Hence, we are suggesting that we ask our people to refrain from the use of alcohol and to foster every agency that seeks to lessen and control the manufacture, sale and use of alcohol in all its forms. It is our profound conviction that there is nothing that so degenerates the people as the legal sale of alcohol. Therefore, we ask our people to fight every measure that seeks to bring back the legal sale of alcohol in any way whatsoever, and to stand against all men and measures who seek to do the same.

The United Dry Forces of the State are striving to educate the people against alcohol. They are speaking in the schools and churches along these lines. We ask that our people co-operate with these forces by aiding them in putting on their campaigns in the churches and schools and the communities generally. The tide against the legal sale of alcohol is rapidly turning, and now is the time to do our best in this work. We suggest that our people aid this work both with their support and their money. It will be well worth while.

M. A. ADDAMS.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

When Jesus gave the great commission he said, "Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you, and lo, I am with you always even until the end of the world". In this commission Jesus recognized the importance of teaching in his world conquering program. The responsibility is placed on each individual to help teach the way of life to all nations.

All teaching is not done in the schoolroom. Real teaching is done whenever a seeker after truth, such as the Ethiopian eunuch meets a spirit-filled Phillip. May more of us be just such teachers.

Young people preparing for places of leadership in our great denomination should attend our Baptist Schools, and there be especially trained for these places of leadership. The responsibility for the training of the other thousands of boys and girls rests on parents, church leaders, Sunday School teachers, and pastors. If these fail to follow Christ's command to teach, then these young people will fail to receive the Christian training that is rightfully theirs.

Just now our great Baptist schools especially need the prayers of all our people. It is a time for more praying, and less of the wrong kind of publicity and criticism. Let our churches remember to first remove any beams that might be in their own eyes then they may see more clearly to remove the mote from the eye of some of our institutions.—A. DELL GOODMAN.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Rec. from Finance Com.	$89.76	Postage	10.00
Paid M. A. Huggins	15.25		$85.25
Printing Minutes	60.00	Balance	4.51

OBITUARIES

DIXON—Mrs. Mary Gean Dixon was born April 10, 1916; died February 3, 1936. She was married to Howard Dixon in 1934. Three years ago she professed faith in Christ and joined Bristol Baptist Church. She leaves a husband and one son.

HODGSON—Jordan Ashley Hodgson was born February 14, 1849; died January 6, 1936. In 1874 he was married to Mary Ann Kemp. Brother Hodgson united with the Buffalo church at an early age and remained a devoted member until death. He is survived by a wife and four children.

PENNINGTON—James P. Pennington was born in 1851; died September 27, 1935. Brother Pennington was a devoted member of the Bristol church. He leaves a wife and four chil- to mourn his departure.

TAYLOR—William Taylor was born October 28, 1861; died October 28, 1934. In his youth he was married to Sara Katherine Perry. Brother Taylor was a devoted and consistent member of Healing Springs church. His wife and four children survive.

TABLE I. CHURCH MEMBERSHIP, ETC., ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, YEAR ENDING AUGUST 1936

CHURCHES, PASTORS AND POST OFFICES	Town, Village or Country Church	When Constituted	Days of Meeting	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP Membership Last Year	GAINS Baptisms	GAINS Letters	GAINS Statements	GAINS Restorations	LOSSES Letters	LOSSES Exclusions	LOSSES Erasures	LOSSES Deaths	Total Members Now	Weekly Prayer Meetings	Revivals During Year	Lord's Sup. Dur. Year	Receiving Bap. Paper
Apple Grove—Donley Hart, Tuckerdale	C	1899	1	61					1				60	No		1	
Bald Mountain—G. C. Burkett, Jefferson	C	1910	2	81	19				2				102	No	1	1	
Baptist Home	C	1890															
Beaver Creek—H. M. Winkler, Todd	C	1890		73	5				1			1	76	No	1	1	
Bethel—E. Z. Sexton, Lansing	C	1851	2	105					2				103	No	2	1	
Big Flatts—G. L. Trivett, W. Jefferson	C	1905	3	61	7	6	1	6	3	2		2	74	Yes	1	1	
Big Laurel—Lee Howell, Husk	C	1880	2	63				1					54	No	1	1	
Bristol—A. C. Ashley, Warrensville	C	1928	1							5		2	77	No	1	1	
Buffalo—T. A. Farmer, Lansing	C	1868	4	143	3	1			4	1			142	No	1		1
Chestnut Hill—A. C. Ashley, Warrensville	C	1928	2	44		1							45	No	1	1	
Clifton—T. A. Farmer, Lansing	C	1923	1	77		1	1		2	1			76	No	1	1	
Friendship—W. E. Denny, Grassy Creek	C	1880	3	154	8	1			2				161	Yes	1	1	2
Glendale—G. L. Trivett, W. Jefferson	C	1914	4	27	10	2	2	4					45	No	1		
Grassy Creek—T. A. Farmer, Lansing	C	1928	3						1				110	No			2
Healing Springs—W. E. Denny, Grassy Creek	C	1888	1	182		1				3		1	179	No		1	
Landmark—W. E. Denny, Grassy Creek	C	1856	4	216	5			2	3	1		5	214	No	1	1	

Laurel Knob—H. M. Winkler, Todd	C	1912	4	108	4								112	No		1	1			
Liberty Grove—H. M. Winkler Todd	C	1916	3	95					1			1	93	No		1	1			
Liberty Hill																				
Little Helton—G. L. Denny, Grassy Creek	C	1923	2	61	1			1		1			62	No		1	1			
Long Branch—T. A. Farmer, Lansing	C	1889	1		3					1			82	No		1	1			
Mission Home—H. M. Winkler, Todd	C	1892	1	97	6	3			1			2	103	Yes		1	1			
Mountain View—Lee Howell, Husk	C	1897	3		3				3	1		1	68	No		1	1			
New River—W. T. Whittington, W. Jefferson	C	1889	4		24		2		3			1	113	No		1	1			
Oak Hill—E. Z. Sexton, Lansing	C	1927	3	42						1	1		40	No		2	1			
Obids—G. C. Burkett, Jefferson	C	1903	1	63					5				58	No		1	1			
Old Fields—G. L. Trivett, W. Jefferson	C	1803	4	94	12	2		1	2			2	105	No		1	1			
Orion—E. Z. Sexton, Lansing	C	1911	1	82					2	2		1	77	No		1	1			
Peak Valley—J. R. Trivett, Trade, Tenn.	C	1892	4										30	No						
Phoenix—W. E. Denny, Grassy Creek	C	1908	4	132		2			8			1	125	Yes		1	1	2		
Pilot Mountain—H. M. Winkler, Todd	C	1899	3	74					2			2	70	No						
Pleasant Branch—Arthur Powers Lansing	C	1931	2	38									38			1				
Pleasant Hill	C	1900																		
Pleasant Home—C. L. Stike, White Top, Va.	C	1870	4	52			1	1					54	Yes		1	1			
Pleasant Valley—E. A. Eller, Grassy Creek	C	1926	1	73								1	72	Yes		1	1			
Sabbath Home—C. W. Sexton, Edison	C	1932	1																	
Smethport—E. Z. Sexton Lansing	V	1925		78																
Sturgills—C. L. Stike, White Top, Va.	V	1933	1	21									21	Yes		1	1	1		
Tuckerdale	V	1917	2	76									76	Yes		1				
Valley Home—T. A. Farmer, Lansing	C	1916	2	86	1	1			2			1	83	No			1			
Warrensville—H. L. Coffey, Volney, Va.	T	1929	3	54		3							57	No			1			
West Jefferson—W. T. Whittington, W. Jefferson	T	1929	4	248	1	11			1			1	258	No		1	1	4		
Welcome Home—A. C. Ashley, Warrensville	C	1934	1	21	6	5							32	No		1	1			
TOTALS				2881	118	40	7	16	51	1	1	25	3346							

TABLE II. SUNDAY SCHOOLS OF ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, YEAR ENDING IN AUGUST 1936

CHURCHES, SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST OFFICES	Beginners 3-5 Yrs.	Primaries 6-8 Yrs.	Juniors 9-12 Years	Intermediates 13-16	Young People 17-24	Adults 25 Yrs. Up	Cradle Roll	Officers & Teachers	Total Enrollment	What Is Your Average Attend'ce?	Normal Diplomas	Baptisms of School	Contributions (Local Work)	Gifts (Missions)	Grand Total for All Purposes Given by S. S.
Apple Grove															
Bald Mountain—W. L. Houck, W. Jefferson	15		18		18	10		6	61	48	1	15	$ 5.50	$ 6.21	$ 11.71
Baptist Home															
Beaver Creek—J. O. Goodman, W. Jefferson								5	60	30			6.28	1.72	8.00
Bethel—Mrs. Margaret Watson, W. Jefferson	8	16	12	16	8	16	4	7	80	32			10.00		10.00
Big Flatts—H. V. Walker, Fleetwood	15	7	11	40		38		7	118	52	1		14.27	4.77	19.04
Big Laurel															
Bristol—Mamie Wallace, Jefferson	22		26			16		5	69	46					2.05
Buffalo—Carl Hodgson, W. Jefferson		8	14		15	12		6	55	39			33.46		33.46
Chestnut Hill—W. H. McMillan, Crumpler		15	15		25	20	5	5	85	45			6.00		6.00
Clifton															
Friendship—Eugene Thompson, Jefferson	12	12	15		18	16		7	80	55			10.63		10.63
Glendale—J. E. Whitley, Glendale Springs	26		16	12		23		6	83	70					
Grassy Creek—Dewie Cox, Grassy Creek	5		2	13	17	13		7	57	30	2		16.00		16.00
Healing Springs—Frank McMilan, Crumpler		25	41		36	44	8	7	161	100	4		7.48		7.48
Landmark—Gwyn Denny, Grassy Creek								6	140	75					

Laurel Knob—G. S. Holman, Todd		10	12	20	12	10		6	70	37			10.75		10.75
Liberty Grove—C. E. Howell, Todd	5	5	10	12	22	30		3	92	44			18.63	15.40	34.03
Liberty Hill															
Little Helton—Delbert Cooper, Helton								6	40	29			2.34		2.34
Long Branch—Oscar Poe, Lansing	61	15	10	10	8	20		5	74	35			10.00		10.00
Mission Home—J. C. Greene, Fleetwood	15		12		6	18	5	6	64	40		3	10.00	13.90	23.90
Mountain View—Jesse Denny—Apple Grove	16		15			17		5	43	48			3.60		3.60
New River—G. H. Pugh, Crumpler	15	11	18	18		10		8	80	40			12.75	6.70	19.45
Oak Hill—Reeves Stuart, Jefferson	27		23			29		5	77	40					
Obids—Jesse Baker, Obids								6					8.00		8.00
Old Fields—W. M. Blackburn, Brownwood								7	80	40			10.00	4.00	14.00
Orion—W. H. Dillard, Jefferson	6	5	10	8	15	10		7	61	35			1.55	6.00	7.55
Peak Valley—Chas. Brown, Creston		19	18	15		16		5	69	35					
Phoenix—J. C. Eller, Bina	13	12	11	25		40		8	107	65			20.00	16.84	36.84
Pilot Mountain—R. L. Grogan, Laxon	13		11	13		8		6	59	47			6.60		6.60
Pleasant Branch—T. F. Halsey Grassy Creek	10	8			15	12			45	35			4.00		4.00
Pleasant Hill															
Pleasant Home—Paul Blevins, Grassy Creek	10	10		15		20		7	77	55			4.70		4.70
Pleasant Valley—G. L. Denny, Grassy Creek									40	31			1.50		1.50
Sabbath Home—Robt. Goss, Lansing	12	6	6	8		8		6	46	25			8.00		8.00
Smethport															
Sturgills—Miss Ola Pennington, Sturgills	4	4	14		5	10	2	4	49	25			8.00		8.00
Tuckerdale—G. C. Jones, Tuckerdale		18	7	14		16		6	61	25			8.12		8.12
Valley Home—W. T. A. Jones, Toliver	20	10			15	15		6	66				10.00		10.00
Warrensville—John Burkett, Warrensville													10.44	5.65	16.09
West Jefferson—J. C. Goodman, W. Jefferson	16	28	66		32			10	194	119			169.35	80.16	249.51
Welcome Home—H. T. Goodman, Jefferson	20	15	6		26	28		8	113	41			13.79		13.79
TOTAL	365	259	425	239	293	525	24	109	2661	1513	8	18	$467.77	$161.35	$625.14

TABLE III. CHURCH PROPERTY OF ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, YEAR ENDING IN AUGUST 1936

CHURCHES, CHURCH CLERKS AND POST OFFICES	Does Your Church Own Its House of Worship?	When was it Built?	Materials Used	Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	Dept. Assembly Rooms	No. Sep'ate Class Rooms	Value of Church House and Grounds	Value of Pastor's Home	Total Value All Church Property	Indebtedness on All Church Property
Apple Grove—H. A. Miller, White Top, Va.	Yes	1899	Wood	200	1			$ 650	$	$ 650	
Bald Mountain—R. R. Campbell, W. Jefferson	Yes	1910	Wood	300	1			1300		1300	
Baptist Home											
Beaver Creek—Hayden Goodman, W. Jefferson	Yes	1900	Wood	400	1			600		600	
Bethel—R. G. Phillips, Oval	Yes	1922	Wood	300	1			3000		3000	
Big Flatts—Mary Jordan, Fleetwood	Yes	1908	Wood	200	1			1100		1100	
Big Laurel—Mrs. Mattie Rupard, Hemlock	Yes	1903	Wood	200	1			1350		1350	
Bristol—Louise Proctor, Jefferson	Yes	1928	Wood	150	1			800		800	
Buffalo—Mrs. Myrtle Harless, Smethport	Yes	1868	Wood	250	1			700		700	
Chestnut Hill—W. H. McMillan, Crumpler	Yes	1931	Wood	300	1			1500		1500	
Clifton—D. F. Shoemake, Warrensville	Yes	1903	Wood	300	1			1000		1000	
Friendship—Clifford Marsh, Jefferson	Yes	1909	Wood	300	1			1600		1600	
Glendale—Ellen Bowlin, Glendale	Yes	1915	Wood	200	1			1500		1500	
Grassy Creek—Mrs. F. C. Nye, Grassy Creek	Yes	1928	Wood	300	1			3000		3000	
Healing Springs—Mrs. Sallie Baker, Crumpler	Yes	1888	Wood	300	3		2	2500		2700	

Landmark—T. A. Jones, Grassy Creek	Yes	1909	Wood	300	1			3000		3000	
Laurel Knob—G. S. Holman, Todd	Yes	1910	Wood	200	1			500		500	
Liberty Grove—J. P. Howell, Fleetwood	Yes	1916	Wood	300	1			1200	217	1417	
Liberty Hill											
Little Helton—Carl Sexton, Grassy Creek	Yes	1925	Wood	300	1			2000		2000	
Long Branch—J. G. Welch, Lansing	Yes	1920	Wood	300	1			1520		1520	
Mission Home—J. H. Gentry, W. Jefferson	Yes	1900	Wood	300	1			1600		1600	
Mountain View—Charlie Smiley, Apple Grove	Yes	1913	Wood	350	1			350		350	
New River—W. D. Brown, Weavers Ford	Yes		Wood	400	1			1500		1500	
Oak Hill—J. A. Campbell, Bina	Yes	1927	Wood	300	1			2500		2500	
Obids—Mrs. Nettie McNeil, Obids	Yes	1903	Wood	400	1			2000		2000	
Old Fields—W. M. Black, Brownwood	Yes	1926	Wood	400	1			4000		4000	
Orion—J. L. Dillard, Jefferson	Yes	1911	Wood	300	1			1600		1600	
Peak Valley—Mrs. Queen Elliot Creston	Yes	1899	Wood	300	1			700		700	
Phoenix—Mrs. F. L. Waddell, Bina	Yes	1912	Wood	300	2			3000		3000	
Pilot Mountain—T. D. Watson, Brookside	Yes		Wood	200	1			500		500	
Pleasant Branch—J. V. Reedy, Grassy Creek	Yes	1918	Wood	175	1			500		500	
Pleasant Hill											
Pleasant Home—Lee Waddell, Grassy Creek	Yes	1898	Wood	200	1			2000		2000	
Pleasant Valley—Blaine Phipps, Grassy Creek	Yes	1926	Wood	150	1			600		600	
Sabbath Home—Mrs. C. L. Goss, Lansing	Yes	1932	Wood	200	1			1500		1500	
Smethport—P. S. Bumgarner, Smethport	Yes		Wood								
Sturgills—Miss Ola Pennington Sturgills	Yes	1934	Wood	250	1			500		500	
Tuckerdale—G. C. Jones, Tuckerdale	Yes	1917	Wood	400	1			1500		1500	
Valley Home—Vyrus Miller, Toliver	Yes	1918	Wood	300	1			1000		1000	
Warrensville—A. E. Reed, Warrensville	Yes	1929	Wood	200	1			1500		1500	
West Jefferson—B. F. Cook, W. Jefferson	Yes	1929	Brick	700	9	1	5	15000		15000	1075
Welcome Home—C. A. Goodman, Jefferson	Yes	1936	Brick	450	1			1500		1500	
TOTAL										$86700	

TABLE IV. GIFTS FOR LOCAL CHURCH WORK OF ASHE ASSOCIATION, YEAR ENDING AUGUST 1936

CHURCHES, REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES	Pastor's Salary	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building and Repairs	Church Debt, Interest	Incidentals	Literature for S. S., B.Y.P.U., and W.M.S.	Help Given to Local Poor	For Printing Minutes and Clerk of Asso.	Other Objects	Total for Local Purposes Given by All
Apple Grove—A. P. Howell, White Top, Va.								1.50		
Bald Mountain—W. L. Houck, W. Jefferson	43.29	20.05				5.50		1.40		68.84
Baptist Home										
Beaver Creek—Hayden Goodman, W. Jefferson	56.00		1.70			6.28		1.58	1.72	66.28
Bethel—R. G. Phillips, Oval	95.00	15.00			15.00	10.00		1.40		155.40
Big Flatts—Rev. P. H. Haire, Fleetwood	100.00		85.00		2.60	15.67		2.00		215.27
Big Laurel—Earl M. Roten, Hemlock	27.00		6.00					1.00	32.70	41.55
Bristol—Louise Proctor, Jefferson	45.33					2.05		1.55		48.93
Buffalo—Mrs. Myrtle Harris, Smethport	65.00	18.00				7.83		1.50		92.33
Chestnut Hill—W. H. McMillan, Crumpler	76.00			52.25		6.00		1.50		135.75
Clifton—D. F. Shoemake, Warrensville	65.00							2.50		67.50
Friendship—T. K. Luther, Jefferson	91.00	15.00			11.00	10.63		2.85	9.00	139.48
Glendale—Ellen Bowlin, Glendale	49.12		58.88			10.20		1.00		119.20
Grassy Creek—Mrs. F. C. Nye, Grassy Creek	24.74				2.00	16.00		3.00		45.74
Healing Spring—Mrs. Sallie Baker, Crumpler	96.07					12.93		4.00	7.48	120.48
Landmark—T. A. Jones, Grassy Creek	48.25	22.00			15.00			5.00	10.00	100.25

Laurel Knob—Lawson Edwards, Todd	35.00				2.00	10.75		1.50		54.25
Liberty Grove—C. E. Howell, Todd	130.00	13.50			5.00	18.63	5.00	1.00		173.13
Liberty Hill										
Little Helton—Carl Sexton, Grassy Creek	15.89	2.35				2.34		2.00		22.58
Long Branch—Carl Sexton, Edison	41.50				5.00	6.00	21.00	3.00		76.50
Mission Home—J. H. Gentry, W. Jefferson	70.00	25.00				10.00		1.00		106.00
Mountain View—Charlie Smiley, Apple Grove	15.35				5.00	3.60	20.00			43.95
New River—W. D. Brown, Weavers Ford	79.93	35.00			2.00	12.75		3.00		132.68
Oak Hill—Mrs. Belle Kilby, Bina	45.00							1.50		46.50
Obids—Mrs. Nettie McNeil, Obids	25.00		9.00		4.35	8.00		1.00		47.35
Old Fields—W. M. Blackburn, Brownwood	150.00	15.00	16.00			18.00	28.00	2.50		229.50
Orion—Fields Bare, Wagoner	105.00	14.00			10.00	6.00		2.00		138.55
Peak Valley—Mrs. Queen Elliott, Creston										
Phoenix—Mrs. F. L. Waddell, Bina	131.00	20.00			5.00	29.00	25.00	5.00		215.00
Pilot Mountain—T. D. Watson, Brookside	35.00					6.60				41.60
Pleasant Branch—J. V. Reedy, Grassy Creek	14.00					4.00		1.00		19.00
Pleasant Hill										
Pleasant Home—Tena Debord, Grassy Creek	35.04					4.70		2.25		41.99
Pleasant Valley—Blaine Phipps, Grassy Creek	20.28	9.17			.90	1.50	3.00	2.00	2.50	39.45
Sabbath Home—Mrs. C. L. Goss, Lansing	33.00					8.00		1.50		42.50
Smethport—P. S. Bumgarner, Smethport	15.00									15.00
Sturgills—Ola Pennington, Sturgills	16.35			24.00		8.00		1.00		49.55
Tuckerdale—W. H. Darnell, Tuckerdale	34.55	11.00				8.12		2.53	15.00	71.20
Valley Home—Vyrus Miller, Toliver	51.10					10.00	5.00	3.00		71.00
Warrensville—J. H. Ashley, Warrensville	69.37		55.00		1.00	10.44		1.50		87.31
West Jefferson—B. F. Cook, West Jefferson	945.69		500.00	53.00	169.35	70.00	4.26	3.00	13.41	1758.71
Welcome Home—C. A. Goodman, Jefferson	100.20	8.00				13.79		3.00		124.99
TOTAL	3090.10	243.07	731.58	129.25	255.20	373.31	111.26		91.81	4959.39

Other Salaries: Big Laurel, $4.85; Laurel Knob, $4.00; Orion, $1.55; Valley Home, $4.90; Total, $15.30.

TABLE V. GIFTS FOR MISSIONS, EDUCATION AND ALL BENEVOLENCES ASHE ASSO. AUGUST 1936

CHURCHES, REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES	Total to Co-operative Program	Special to State Missions	Special Foreign Missions	Special to Orphanage	Special to Hospitals	Total Give for Missions and Benevolences	Grand Total for All Purposes
	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
Apple Grove—A. P. Howell, White Top, Va.							
Bald Mountain—W. L. Houck, W. Jefferson	3.75			6.21	3.35	13.31	76.65
Baptist Home							
Beaver Creek—Hayden Goodman, W. Jefferson	14.80			12.00	.68	29.06	95.34
Bethel—R. G. Phillips, Oval				7.85	5.00	12.85	167.85
Big Flatts—P. H. Haire, Fleetwood	18.10		5.30	21.99	4.77	56.21	314.82
Big Laurel—Earl M. Roten, Hemlock				1.00	1.00	24.70	40.55
Bristol—Louis Proctor, Jefferson				6.10	2.00	8.10	57.03
Buffalo—Myrtle Harless, Smethport				21.33	4.30	25.63	116.46
Chestnut Hill—W. H. McMillan, Crumpler							135.75
Clifton—D. F. Shoemake, Warrensville				10.30		10.30	77.80
Friendship—T. K. Luther, Jefferson					67.88	67.88	207.36
Glendale—Gorden Severt, Glendale Springs				6.60	9.25	15.85	134.05
Grassy Creek—Mrs. F. C. Nye, Grassy Creek	19.69			10.00	5.17	34.86	77.60
Healing Spring—Mrs. Sallie Baker, Crumpler	10.19			12.27	116.28	138.74	259.22
Land Mark—T. A. Jones, Grassy Creek					11.10	11.10	111.35

Laurel Knob—Lawson Edwards, Todd	6.82					6.82	61.07
Liberty Grove—C. E. Howell, Todd				12.46	2.94	15.40	188.53
Liberty Hill							
Little Helton—Carl Sexton, Grassy Creek					28.80	28.80	51.38
Long Branch—Carl Sexton, Edison	5.00	1.00			58.37	64.37	140.87
Mission Home—J. H. Gentry, W. Jefferson				9.90	4.00	13.90	119.90
Mountain View—Chas. Smiley, Apple Grove							43.95
New River—W. D. Brown, Weavers Ford	11.00			33.35	1.00	45.35	178.03
Oak Hill—Mrs. Bell Kilby, Bina					33.10	33.10	78.10
Obids—Mrs. Nettie McNeil, Obids				20.00	4.48	24.48	71.83
Old Fields—W. M. Blackburn, Brownwood	2.00	4.00		37.00	87.25	184.25	427.75
Orion—Fields Bare, Wagoner							138.55
Peak Valley—Mrs. Queen Elliott, Creston							
Phoenix—Mrs. F. L. Waddell, Bina	30.00			34.82	10.00	74.82	366.06
Pilot Mountain—T. D. Watson, Brookside				27.00		27.00	68.60
Pleasant Branch—J. V. Reedy, Grassy Creek					7.11	7.11	26.11
Pleasant Hill							
Pleasant Home—Tena Debord, Grassy Creek	10.25				31.76	42.01	83.00
Pleasant Valley—Blaine Phipps, Grassy Creek					2.50	2.50	39.45
Sabbath Home—Mrs. C. L. Goss, Lansing							42.50
Smethport							
Sturgills—Ola Pennington, Sturgills	5.00			5.50	2.15	12.65	62.20
Tuckerdale—W. H. Darnell, Tuckerdale				5.00	8.00	13.00	84.20
Valley Home—Vyrus Miller, Toliver					3.00	3.00	76.00
Warrensville—J. H. Ashley, Warrensville		2.00		3.00	2.65	7.65	84.52
West Jefferson—B. F. Cook, West Jefferson	65.00			226.47		291.47	2050.18
Welcome Home—C. A. Goodman, Jefferson				33.90	8.20	42.10	157.09
TOTAL	$ 201.50	$ 7.00	$ 5.30	$ 564.05	$ 526.09	$1388.37	$6511.70

Special to Associational Missions: Beaver Creek, $1.58. Special to Foreign Missions: Big Flatts, $5.30. Other Special Gifts: Big Flatts, $6.05; Big Laurel, $22.70; Total, $28.75.

TABLE VI. BAPTIST TRAINING UNION AND MEN'S BROTHERHOODS ASHE ASSO. AUGUST 1936

West Jefferson: Senior B.Y.P.U.'s, 1; Junior B.Y.P.U.'s, 1; Total B.A.U.'s and B.Y.P.U.'s, 2; Senior Enrolled, 20; Juniors Enrolled, 18; Total Enrolled, 38; Number Taking Study Coure, 1.

TABLE VII. W. M. U. ORGANIZATIONS AND GIFTS ASHE ASSOCIATION AUGUST 1936

CHURCHES, PRESIDENTS OF W. M. S. AND POST OFFICES	No. of W.S.M.'s	Total W.M.U. Org.	W.S.M. Members	Members Enrolled	Contributions Given by W.M.U.	Grand Total for All Purposes Given by W.M.U. and Others
Big Flatts—Mrs. F. L. Houck, Fleewood	1	2		22	$ 30.20	$ 34.20
Grassy Creek—Mrs. F. C. Nye, G. Creek	1		10	10	3.00	3.00
Old Fields—Miss Blanch Hartzog, Idlew.	1		13	13		
Phoenix—Mrs. E. C. Eller, Bina	1		12		59.40	59.40
Warrensville—Mrs. John Burkett, War.	1		9		6.00	6.00
West Jefferson—Mrs. W. T. Whittington	1	5			151.75	603.50
TOTAL		7	44	45	$250.35	$706.10

Number of Y.W.A.'s: West Jefferson, 1. Number of G.A.'s: Big Flatts, 1; West Jefferson, 1. Number of R.A.'s: West Jefferson, 1. Number of Sun Beams: West Jefferson, 1. G.A.'s Members: West Jefferson, 13. Contributions (Local Work) Given by W.M.U.: Big Flatts, $4.00; West Jefferson, $453.00; Total, $457.00.

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PROF. J. C. GOODMAN, Moderator West Jefferson, N. C.
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W. A. CAMPBELL, Clerk-Treasurer, W. Jefferson, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND BOARD OF MISSIONS

IRA T. JOHNSTON, Chairman ---------Jefferson, N. C.
W. D. BROWN ----------Weavers Ford, N. C.
W. T. HARLESS ----------West Jefferson, N. C.
HAYDEN GOODMAN ----------West Jefferson, N. C.
J. W. GAMBILL ----------West Jefferson, N. C.

STANDING COMMITTEE—1938

State Missions ---------Prof. B. H. Duncan, Trade, Tenn.
Home Missions --Rev. G. L. Trivett, West Jefferson, N. C.
Foreign Missions ----------Bryan Oliver
Sunday School, Rexford R. Campbell, W. Jefferson, N. C.
Biblical Recorder, Rev. W. T. Whittington, W. Jefferson
Hospital ----------Heggie Parsons, Obids, N. C.
Orphanage ---------W. D. Brown, Weavers Ford, N. C.
Christian Education --Prof. F. C. Nye, Grassy Creek, N. C.
Pastoral Support ---Ira T. Johonston, --Jefferson, N. C.
Temperance ---------Turner Watson. Brookside, N. C.
Old Ministers' Relief, Prof. John Burkett -Warrensville
Obituaries ----------Clark Houck, West Jefferson, N. C.
B. Y. P. U. ----------D. C. Severt, West Jefferson, N. C.
W. M. U., Miss Minnie Haire -----West Jefferson, N. C.
Laymen's Work ----David Harless, West Jefferson, N. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS OF ASHE ASSOCIATION

Ashley, A. C. ---------- Warrensville, N. C.
Ashley, Cicero ---------- Bina, N. C.
Barker, W. F. ---------- Grassy Creek, N. C.
Blevins, E. ---------- Grassy Creek, N. C.
Blevins, J. J. ---------- Grassy Creek, N. C.
Blevins, Lester ---------- Grassy Creek, N. C.
Blevins, J. C. ---------- Grassy Creek, N. C.
Burket, G. C. ---------- Jefferson, N. C.
Burket, R. M. ---------- Jefferson, N. C.
Blackburn, Wesley ---------- Jefferson, N. C.
Cockerham, T. J. ---------- Crumpler, N. C.
Campbell, J. A. ---------- Jefferson, N. C.
Cope, C. M. ---------- Elktown, N. C.
Denney, W. E. ---------- Grassy Creek, N. C.
Denney, G. L. ---------- Grassy Creek, N. C.
Dolinger, R. L. ---------- Sturgills, N. C.
Eller, E. A. ---------- Grassy Creek, N. C.
Eldreth, Wyatt ---------- Peach Bottom, N. C.
Farmer, T. A. ---------- Lansing, N. C.
Forester, D. H. ---------- Trade, Tenn.
Goodman, C. F. ---------- West Jefferson, N. C.
Gentry, J. H. ---------- West Jefferson, N. C.
Haire, P. H. ---------- Fleetwood, N. C.
Hays, T. M. ---------- Nathan's Creek, N. C.
Host, M. B. ---------- Tuckerdale, N. C.
Heart, Danley ---------- Nella, N. C.
Hurley, W. L. ---------- Crumpler, N. C.
Keller, L. N. ---------- **Fleetwod**, N. C.
Neaves, J. M. ---------- Crumpler, N. C.
Osborne, Ray ---------- Fig, N. .C.
Powers, Arthur ---------- Brandon, N. C.
Parsons, C. C. ---------- Grassy Creek, N. C.
Sexton, C. W. ---------- Edison, N. C.
Sexton, E. Z. ---------- Edison, N. C.
Stike, C. L. ---------- Green Cove, Va.
Spencer, J. O. ---------- Bel Air, Md.
Sturgill, J. R. ---------- Elkton, Md.
Testerman, Luther ---------- Amy, N. C.
Trivett, J. S. ---------- Fleetwood, N. C.
Trivett, G. L. ---------- West Jefferson, N. C.
Trivett, J. R. ---------- Tanerac, N. C.
Thomas, W. R. ---------- Warrensville, N. C.
Winkler, H. M. ---------- Todd, N. C.
Whittington, W. T. ---------- West Jefferson, N. C.

LIST OF MESSENGERS

ASHE ASSOCIATION

Apple Grove ___A. P. Howell, W. M. Little, Mrs. Carrie Miller
Bald Mountain _____R. R. Campbell, Ilene Campbell
Baptist Home _____(Not represented)
Beaver Creek _Price Goodman, Mattie Goodman, Mrs. H. H. Ray
Bethel _____R. G. Phillips, J. V. Goodman, Worth Bare
Big Flatts _____H. V. Walker, Avery Phillips, R. C. Parsons
Big Laurel _____Ambrose Roten, Lester Roten, Laura Barr
Bristol _____Louise Proctor, Vance Johnson, Charlie Mullis
Buffalo _____W. T. Harless, B. S. Harless
Chestnut Hill _____I. N. Huddler, Lee Jones, Fay Gambill
Clifton ____D. F. Shoemaker, Nathan Richardson, Greer Parsons
Friendship _____Bertie Dixon, Zeb Witherspoon, Clifford Marsh
Glendale _____Gard Miller, Jesse Bare, Hazel Black
Grassy Creek _____ Walter Huddler, Dewis Cox, Stella Blevins
Healing Springs _____Sam Baker, M. M. Blevins, A. J. Blevins
Landmark _____W. W. Blackburn, R. B. Taylor, Avery Barker
Laurel Knob _Swanson Edwards, M. A. Goodman, G. S. Halman
Liberty Grove ____C. E. Howell, Sanford Howell, Mrs. M. H. Goodman
Liberty Hill _____J. H. Wagoner, H. L. Goodman, T. E. Dixon
Little Helton _____H. Reece Jones, Zola B. Jones, Leda Pasley
Long Branch _____J. G. Welch, Mrs. J. G. Welch, Burl Ham
Mission Home __J. C. Greene, J. F. Blackburn, Clint Williams
Mountain View _____(Not represented)
New River _____E. H. Handy, G. H. Pugh, R. D. Brown
Oak Hill _____Reeves Stuart, Jim Handy, Ed Blackburn
Obids _Miss Vivian Parsons, Mrs. Carrie Huddler, Jame Parsons
Old Fields _____H. O. Baker,. J. E. Cheek, Blanch Hartzog
Orion _____E. M. Jenkins, W. H. D llard, Jesse Bare
Peak Valley _____Tom Monday, Kirmit Thomas, Quillen Elliott
Phoenix _____Lee McNeill, C. A. Eller, F. L. Waddell
Pilot Mountain _____Glen Miller, Merlie Watson, T. D. Watson
Pleasant Branch _____J. V. Reedy, Keeth Reedy, W. E. Reedy
Pleasant Hill _____(Not represented)
Pleasant Home _____C. N. Deboard, Kaney Spencer, Fred Pasley
Pleasant Valley ____C. W. Phipps, Leslie James, Jewel Blevins
Sabbath Home _____John Goss, Mrs. Clarence Stansberry, Ambors Clark.
Smethport _____(Not represented)
Sturgills _____Isom Sturgill, Charlie Seymore, Lautie Sturgill
Tuckerdale ___W. H. Darnell, G. C. Jones, Mrs. Nannie Tucker
Valley Home ____Eugene Phillips, Coy Lawrence, Vyrus Miller
Warrensville _____W. O. Ashley, W. P. Shafe, Authur Childers
West Jefferson _____Bill Huddler, J. W. Gambill, Mrs. W. T. Whittington
Welcome Home ___C. A. Goodman, S. B. Greene, Lucy Dixon

CONSTITUTION

Article 1. This body shall be called the Ashe Association.

OBJECTS

Article 2. The object of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the gospel in our bounds, and in all the world, and in this work the Association will co-operate with the Baptist State Convention.

MEMBERSHIP

Article 3. The membership of this body shall be all the ordained ministers of the churches of the Association, and three delegates from each church. A letter certifying their appointment and giving statistics of the membership and work of the church shall be sent to the Clerk at least fifteen days before the opening of the session.

ORGANIZATION

Article 4. At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a Moderator and a Clerk and Treasurer. This election shall take place hereafter at the end of each session, and those elected shall serve through the next session.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Article 5. The Moderator shall preside at all meetings, preserve order, appoint committees, and perform such duties as are required of presiding officers.

Article 6. The Clerk shall keep a correct record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing and distribution to the churches, the proceedings of the body.

Artcle 7. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent to the Association, to pay them out as the Association may direct, and make a report at each annual session.

TIME AND PLACE

Article 8. The Association shall hold an annual meeting at such time and place as may be agreed upon.

APPOINTMENTS

Article 9. At each annual meeting there shall be appointed an executive committee of five brethren who shall look after the destitution in the bounds of this Association, and co-operate with the State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention, making to the next session a report of the work done and all the general State Mission work.

Article 10. Association shall convene annually on the last Friday in August. At each annual session there shall be appointed committees to make reports to the ensuing session, on the following subjects, to wit: State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Pastoral Support, Ministerial Education, Baptist Orphanage, Biblical Recorder, Temperance, Digest Church Letter, Finance, Place and Preacher for next Association, and Baptist Hospital.

ORDER OF RELIGIOUS EXERCISES

Article 11. Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

Article 12. In addition to the introductory sermon, the committee on religious exercises shall arrange at least one other sermon each day the Association is in session and all business shall be suspended while the sermon is being delivered; but no sermon shall be scheduled while the Association is engaged in a business session.

PREROGATIVES

Article 13. The Association will not retain in permanent fellowship any church that retains in its fellowship any member who is disorderly in doctrine or practice, or who makes, sells, or in any way deals in ardent spirits as a beverage.

CONSTITUTION—HOW AMENDED

Article 14. This Constitution may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual session.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES

1st. We believe in one true and living God, and that there are three persons in the God-head, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, and that these three are one.

2nd. We believe that the Bible, the New Testament, is the Word of God and the only rule of faith and practice.

3rd. We believe in the impotency of man and the sovereignty of God.

4th. We believe that the salvation is by Grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5th. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ to be practiced only by believers in their spiritual order.

6th. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by qualified administrator, and that those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and doctrine, should take the Lord's Supper.

7th. We believe in the final perseverance of the saints in grace to glory.

8th. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and general judgment.

9th. We believe that the existence of the righteous and the wicked will both be of eternal duration, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

RULES OF ORDER

1. Every session shall be opened and closed by prayer.
2. When the Moderator calls the house to order, every member shall at once take his seat.
3. When a member wishes to speak he shall rise and address the Moderator, and not proceed until he is recognized.
4. No member shall speak more than twice on any subject except by permission of the body.
5. No member shall leave the body during the session without permission of the Moderator.
6. It shall be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold private conversation while any person is speaking.

PROGRAM OF THE ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

1938 SESSION

Friday Morning, August 26, 1938

9:45 Devotional Exercises; Prayer by Rev. Bynum Wyatt
10:00 Introductory Sermon by Rev. W. T. Whittington
Alternate: Rev. Arthur Ashley
10:30 Moderator's Period:
(a) Reception of churches and visitors
(b) Report by officers and from churches
(c) Appointment of committees
11:00 Report on Periodicals and Reading Matter
11:20 Report on Orphanage
12:00 Adjournment for Lunch

Friday Afternoon

1:00 Report on Cooperative Program (a) Hospital (b) State Missions (c) Home Missions (d) Foreign Missions
2:00 Sermon, Rev. G. C. Burkett
2:30 Miscellaneous
(a) Additional reports from churches and visitors
(b) Announcement of homes for messengers and visitors
3:00 Closing Exercises, Rev. T. J. Cockerham

Saturday Morning, August 27

9:30 Devotional Exercises; Prayer by Rev. Donally Hart
9:45 Report on Training Activities (a) Sunday School (b) Baptist Training Union (c) Laymens' Work (d) Womans Missionary Union and (e) Christian Schools.
10:45 Report on Temperance
11:05 Sermon, Rev. W. E. Denney
11:35 Miscellaneous
12:00 Adjournment for Lunch

Saturday Afternoon

1:00 Report on Ministerial Support (a) Pastor's Salaries (b) Ministers' Relief
1:30 Discussion of plans for the ensuing year (a) Pastors (b) Deacons (c) Sunday School Superintendents (d) Training Activities
2:30 Reports of Committees (a) Resolutions (b) Place and Preacher (c) Finance
2:45 Election of Offiecrs and Miscellaneous
3:00 Sermon, Rev. H. M. Winkler

Sunday Morning, August 28

10:30 Devotional Exercises, Rev. E. Z. Sexton
11:00 Sermon, Rev. T. A. Farmer
12:00 Miscellaneous and Adjournment

THE FIFTY-FIRST ANNUAL SESSION OF THE ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION NORTH CAROLINA (1886-1937) MET WITH WELCOME HOME BAPTIST CHURCH FRIDAY MORNING, AUGUST 28, 1937

Prayer by Rev. H. M. Winkler.

Introductory sermon by Rev. J. O. Spencer.

1st. Call for new churches.

2nd. Call for visitors, the following were seated with the body: Smith Hoggiman, Baptist Hospital; I. G. Greer, Baptist Orphanage; M. C. Cooper, Rev. and Mrs. W. B. Wyatt, Rev. J. F. Hodgson, all of Lebenon Association, Va.; M. A. Adams, Blue Ridge Association; W. R. Beach, representing Biblical Recorder.

3rd. Appointment of Committees on Religious Exercises. Pastor and delegates of Welcome Home Church; Committee on Resolutions, Rev. W. E. Denney, W. D. Brown and Ira T. Johnston; Finance Committee, E. C. Eller, Fred Waddell, W. J. Huddler, W. C. Campbell.

4th. Report on Orphanage. Report was discussed by I. G. Greer, Ira T. Johnston. Report on Biblical recorder was discussed by W. R. Beach and adopted.

5th. Rev. W. E. Denney was appointed Orphanage Representative for the Association.

6th. Adjournment for lunch, following songs by Cook-Harless quartette and prayer by Rev. J. W. Hays.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Prayer by Rev. Rexford Campbell.

1st. By mat the property of Medow View Baptist church be sold and the proceeds go to Welcome Home Baptist church for the purpose of completing their church.

2nd. Report on Hospital. Report was discussed by Smith Haggerman and adopted. Report on State Missions—the report on Home and Foreign Missions and Christian Education to be handed in later. Discussed by M. A. Huggins, Secretary and Treasurer Baptist State Convention, and adopted.

3rd. Sermon by Rev. J. F. Hodgam.

4th. Homes for Messengers assigned.

5th. Adjournment. Prayer by Rev. A. C. Ashley.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

Devotional by Rev. H. M. Winkler.

1st. Called for visitors. Miss Mable Starnes, of Raleigh, representing the B. T. U. work, was seated with the body.

2nd. Report on Old Ministers' Relief and Pastoral support discussed by M. A. Addams and adopted. Report of Executive Committee on place and preacher for next association. Report adopted. Report of Committee on Resolutions. Report adopted

3. On motion the Moderator appointed the following com-

mittee to consider the advisibility of changing the date of the Ashe Association from Friday before the last Sunday in Augus to Friday before the second Sunday in September and report to the next session of the association. Committee—Prof. B. H. Duncan, Rev. W. E. Denney, and W. T. Harless.

4th. Report on Sunday School—Discussed by Revs. R. R. Campbell, W. T. Whittington, W. R. Wyatt, Prof. B. H. Duncan and adopted.

5th. At the request of the Moderator, Rev. T. M. Hayes spoke in memory of Rev. H. L. Caffey who was on program to preach at this hour, but who has gone to his reward.

6th. Sermon by Rev. W. T. Whittington.

7th. Adjournment for lunch.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Devotional by Rev. W. R. Wyatt.

1st. Report on Temperance read and discussed by M. A. Addams, after which an offering was taken amounting to $11.54. Report adopted.

2nd. Report on W. M. U. Report on B. T. U. discussed by Mrs. Ralph Parsons, Mrs. W. T. Whittington, Miss Mable Starnes and adopted.

3rd. Report of Finance Committee adopted.

4th. Election of Officers—Prof. J. C. Goodman was re-elected Moderator and W. A. Campbell was re-elected clerk and treasurer. Rev. H. M. Winkler was appointed on Temperance Committee for Ashe Association.

5th. Adjournment. Prayer by Rev. H. M. Winkler.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

The Board is going into new fields of work, such as holding religious services in the State and Federal Sanatoriums and other State institutions for the inmates thereof; doing mission work among the other races of the state and trying to carry the gospel to the prison population of North Carolina.

We also have a number of missionaries who are doing a great service in many ways in places in need of assistance.

The Board is doing much to increase Christian Education and the training of church and Sunday school. workers.

In order to carry on the work being done and that recently undertaken, it is necessary that financial support be given.

May the members of all churches of the Ashe Association become so interested in the State Missions that we will do all that is expected of us.

Respectfully submitted,

C. L. BLEVINS.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Jesus, after beginning His active ministry spent most of His time in teaching. He recognized its importance when a short time before He was ready to ascend to the Father, He gave to His disciples and to us the great Commission.

May our college pattern their teaching after the one Great Teacher and let us pray earnestly that the faculties of all our denominational schools may keep on in the great way they have been going,—that is, in the leading our boys and girls, not away, but toward our churches and toward God.

May our churches recognize Christian Education as a part of the Christian Program and be willing to support our Denominational Institutions with their means, with their prayers, and with their patronage:

Respectfully submitted,
B. F. COOK, Committee.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE

A number of years ago, God laid on the hearts and minds of some of our denominational leaders, the great importance and need of an institution where our unfortunate boys and girls who are orphans, might have a home, a home in which they could be taught, trained and educated, under Christian influence; that they might grow up to be useful men and women going out to bless the nation.

In 1885, and institution of this type was founded, with J. H. Mills as its head. Since that time, hundreds of boys and girls that have never known what it was to have the love of a father or mother, have gone out from this great Home, with their hearts full of the love of God; to make your community and my community a better place in which to live.

Today this Home is filled to overflowing capacity with happy boys and girls. And yet, many children who need a home must be turned away, because there is not room.

May God move on our hearts today, as a Baptist denomination, that we may go forward in supporting this worthy institution with our prayers, our money, and our produce.

J. H. GENTRY.

REPORT OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

A recent Sunday School lession has emphasized the fact that the early Christian church in Jerusalem had not caught the vision of carrying the gospel to the people of the other nations of the world. The apostle Peter saw a vision and acted upon it. However, he was accused before the church for having done so. Our own people might not have had the gospel if the early church had not become convinced that Peter's vision was from heaven in spite of the fact that Jesus had commanded in his farewell message "Go and teach all nations."

A study of the record and the statistics of the churches of the Ashe Association reveal the fact that many of our churches at least in practice stand no further forward than did the early church of Jerusalem. We might wish that the leaders of these churches might have visions such as Peter had upon the house top in Joppa. If our leaders had such a vision and would present it to the churches as Peter presented his to the church at Jerusalem. our churches themselves might also glorify God and say "Then hath God also to the Gentiles granted repentence

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Respectfully submitted,
IRA T. JOHNSTON, Committee.

REPORT ON BAPTIST HOSPITAL

The year ending June 30, 1937, was the greatest in the history of the 14 years of ministry of the Baptist Hospital, located at Winston-Salem; greatest in number of patients admitted, in number of churches contributing to its support and greatest in amount contributed.

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The nurses' Home is now being enlarged, the capacity doubled; also plans are underway to enlarge the Hospital.

During the year, 1,000 Mothers were returned home to 200,000 interested kinsmen and friends. Out of this number 60 patients from Ashe County were returned to 3,000 persons who were personally interested in their recovery.

The Hospital has a staff of 5 internes, 66 doctors, 55 nurses, and 35 student nurses. The Hospital doctors are rendering a vast amount of free service to the sick and distressed people of the state; not less than $160,000.00 for the year.

The Hospital depends very largely on the Mothers Day offering for providing treatment to those who cannot pay. This offering last May was a little more than $20,000.00. Hospital linen, such as sheets, pillow cases, a little more than $20,000.00. Hospital linen, such as sheets, pillow cases, towels, etc., has been donated in increasing quantities this year by Woman's Missionary Unions and other church organizations.

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C. G. DENNY.

We believe that each church in our Association should maintain a B. Y. P. U. or training service for its young members, and train them to be better soldiers for their Saviour, and in the Kingdom's work. We should be glad that at least a few of our churches are standing behind B. Y. P. U. work in their churches.

Respectfully submitted,
D. C. SEVERT.

BIBLICAL RECORDER REPORT

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L. M. CHEEK.

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CHURCHES, PASTORS AND POST OFFICES	Town, Village or Country Church	When Constituted	Days of Meeting	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP															
				Membership Last Year	GAINS				LOSSES				Total Members Now	Revival Meetings Held	Lord's Supper	Receiving Bapt. Paper	Weekly Prayer Meetings
					Letters	Baptisms	Statements	Restorations	Letters	Exclusions	Erasures	Deaths					
Apple Grove—M. B. Host, Tuckerdale																	
Bald Mountain—G. C. Burket, Jefferson	C	1910	2	100	12	3		2	5			2	111	1	1	1	No
Baptist Home																	
Beaver Creek—H. M. Winkler, Todd	C	1890	2	76									76		1		No
Bethel—E. Z. Sexton, Lansing	C	1851	2						1			3	62	1	1		No
Big Flatts—G. L. Trevett, West Jefferson	C	1905	3	74					1			1	72		1	5	Yes
Big Laurel—D. H. Forster, Trade, Tenn.	C	1880	2	54					2	1		1	50	1	1		No
Bristol—E. Z. Sexton, Lansing	C	1928	4	77	1			1			6		72	1	1		No
Buffalo—T. A. Farmer, Lansing	C	1868	4	142	6	1							149	1	1	1	No
Chestnut Hill—A. C. Ashley, Warrensville	C	1928	2	45	1	1	2		1	5			43	1	1		No
Clifton—T. A. Farmer, Lansing	C	1933	1	76	9		1					1	85	1	1		No
Friendship—W. E. Denney, Grassy Creek	C	1880	3	161					3			1	157		1		No
Glendale—T. M. Hays, Nathan's Creek	C	1914	2	45				1					45		1		Yes
Grassy Creek—T. A. Farmer, Lansing	C	1921	3	103	11				7				107	1	1	2	No
Healing Springs—W. E. Denny, Grassy Creek	C	1888	1	182	8				3			1	186	1	1		No

Landmark—W. E. Denney, Grassy Creek	C	1856	4	214		3				1		4	212		1			No
Laurel Knob—H. M. Winkler, Todd	C	1912	4	112	9	4						2	123	1	1			Yes
Liberty Grove—H. M. Winkler, Todd	C	1915		92	1							1	92	1	1			No
Liberty Hill																		
Little Helton—G. L. Denney, Grassy Creek	C	1923	2	61		1			1				61	1				No
Long Branch—T. A. Farmer, Lansing	C	1887	1	82	2						1		83					No
Mission Home—H. M. Winkler, Todd	C	1892	1	103	3	2					48	1	62	1	1			Yes
Mountain View																		
New River—W. T. Whittington, W. Jefferson	C	1885	4	113	5	1							119	1	1	2		
Oak Hill—J. C. Blevins, Grassy Creek	C	1927	3	40	3			1				2	42	1	1			No
Obids—G. C. Burket, Jefferson	C	1903	1	57	9	6	6					1	77	1	1			No
Old Fields—G. L. Trivett, West Jefferson	C	1803	4	106					7			1	78		1	2		No
Orion—E. Z. Sexton, Lansing	C	1911	1	82					1				81	1	1			No
Peak Valley—J. R. Trivett, Tamrac	C	1892	4	30									30	1	1			No
Phoenix—W. E. Denny, Grassy Creek	C	1908	2	125									125		1	1		No
Pilot Mountain—H. M. Winkler, Todd	C	1899	3	70	20							1	89	1	1			No
Pleasant Branch—A. C. Ashley, Warrensville	C	1931	3	38								1	37					No
Pleasant Hill																		
Pleasant Home—C. L. Stike, Green Cove, Va.	C	1870	4	54			1					3	52	1	1			No
Pleasant Valley—G. C. Burket—Jefferson	C	1936	3	72	6			1				1	78	1	1			No
Sabbath Home—E. Z. Sexton, Edison	C	1932	3	56					6			1	49					No
Smethport																		
Sturgills—E. A. Eller—Grassy Creek	C	1933	1	21									21	1	1	1		Yes
Tuckerdale—Donley Heart, Nella	V	1917	2	76					1				75					No
Valley Home—T. A. Farmer, Lansing	C	1916	2	58	12	1	3	1	3				77	1	2			Yes
Warrensville—Cicero Ashley, Bina	V	1929	3	57								2	55		1			No
West Jefferson—W. T. Whittington, West Jefferson	T	1916	*	258	12	9	3						285	1	1	10		Yes
Welcome Home—A. C. Ashley, Warrenville	C	1934	1	33	3	2	1						39	1	1			No
TOTAL				3135	133	34	17	5	40	10	55	31	3274			26		

* Full Time

TABLE II. SUNDAY SCHOOLS OF ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, YEAR ENDING AUGUST 1937

CHURCHES, SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST OFFICES	Beginners 3-5 Yrs.	Primaries 6-8 Yrs.	Juniors 9-12 Years	Intermediates 13-16	Young People 17-24	Adults 25 Yrs. Up	Cradle Roll	Officers & Teachers	Total Enrollment	What Is Your Average Attend'ce?	Enrollment of Vac. Sch.	Average Attend'n.	Contributions (Local Work)	Gifts (Missions)	Grand Total for All Purposes Given by S. S.
Apple Grove															
Bald Mountain—W. L. Houck, W. Jefferson		20	15	25		20		6	86	75	25	16	8.00		
Baptist Home															
Beaver Creek—C. M. Call, W. Jefferson	7	3	8	4	8	6	1	5	42	28			2.79		
Bethel—Lester Surber, Oval		15	12		38	24		6	95	53	30	21	7.78	2.00	9.78
Big Flats—H. V. Walker, Fleetwood	12	12	13	42		20		8	107	38	31	23	7.12	16.60	23.72
Big Laurel—Ambors Roten, Hemlock	4	5	5	2	2	12		3	30	15					
Bristol—Mamie Wallace, Jefferson		26	13			18		5	62	43					
Buffalo—B. S. Harless, Smethport		6	12	12	12	10		7	59	45	22	18	15.66	.45	20.16
Chestnut Hill															
Clifton															
Friendship—Zeb Witherspoon, Jefferson	12	10	14		17	18		7	78	48	38	34	9.04		
Glendale—Lonnie Miller, Glendale Springs	25		20			25		5	75	70			11.28	26.60	37.88
Grassy Creek—Dewey Cox, Grassy Creek	5				10	19		6	40	25					
Healing Springs—Frank McMillan, Crumpler	14	10	16		30	28		7	105	88			17.30		
Landmark—Gwin Denney, Grassy Creek								6	100	40					
Laurel Knob—G. S. Holman, Todd		12		18	25	20		6	75	45			10.25		

Liberty Grove—C. E. Howell, Todd	2	8	9	11	17	19		6	72	41						
Liberty Hill																
Little Helton																
Long Branch—Luther Testerman, Amy		20		18		12		5	55	25	41	19	8.00			
Mission Home—J. C. Greene, Fleetwood	15		10		10	18		4	62		83	60	11.00	40.46	51.46	
Mountain View																
New River—G. H. Pugh, Crumpler	16	11	16	20		11		8	80	42	90	70	9.76	6.04	15.79	
Oak Hill—Reeves Stuart, Jefferson	15		25	20		25	7	6	98	50						
Obids—Arthur Hudler, Obids								4		30	50	35	10.00	16.50	26.50	
Old Fields—W. M. Blackburn, Brownwood								11	80		26	22	12.00	32.67	44.67	
Orion—W. H. Dillard, Jefferson	12	10	9	6	20	12	6	10	85	50	20	11	10.00	45.85	55.85	
Peak Valley—Chas. Brown, Creston		10	14	15		16		5	50	45	35	25				
Phoenix—James C. Eller, Bina	4	8	16		27	39	3	8	108	45	40	31	20.00	18.50	38.50	
Pilot Mountain—T. J. McGuire, Todd	17		20	21		20		7	78	52			7.25			
Pleasant Branch—Josie Osborn, Grassy Creek	7	4				11		4	22				1.70			
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Valley Home—W. T. Jones, Toliver	10	10	10		15	15		6	66				12.00			
Warrensville—John M. Burket, Warrensville	9		9		10	11		4	43	18			24.17	5.50	29.67	
West Jefferson—J. C. Goodman, W. Jefferson	22	14	11	66	33	62		16	218		98	70	89.82	52.90	142.72	
Welcome Home—H. T. Goodman, Jefferson	4	6	5	14	18	33		8	88	40	21	14	12.00			
TOTAL	246	248	323	306	308	568	22	206	2351	1186	704	502	331.08	264.07	496.65	

Baptisms From School—Healing Springs, 8; Long Branch, 2; Pilot Mountain, 10.

TABLE III. CHURCH PROPERTY OF ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, YEAR ENDING IN AUGUST 1937

CHURCHES, CHURCH CLERKS AND POST OFFICES	Does Your Church Own Its House of Worship?	When was it Built?	Materials Used	Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	No. Sep'ate Class Rooms	Value of Church House and Grounds	Value of Pastor's Home	Total Value All Church Property	Indebtedness on All Church Property	Ins. Carried
Apple Grove—H. A. Miller, White Top, Va.											
Bald Mountain—Gaynell Houck, W. Jefferson	Yes	1910	Wood	300	1		1300		1300		
Baptist Home											
Beaver Creek—Hayden Goodman, W. Jefferson	Yes										
Bethel—R. G. Phillips, Oval	Yes	1922	Wood	300	1		3000		3000		
Big Flats, Miss Mary Gordan	Yes	1908	Wood	200	1		1500		1500		
Big Laurel—Mattie Rupard, Hemlock	Yes	1903	Wood	200	1		1350	3000	4350		
Bristol—Louise Proctor, Jefferson	Yes	1927	Wood	150	1		800		800		
Buffalo											
Chestnut Hill—Mrs. Francis Jones, Crumpler	Yes	1931	Wood	300	1		1500		1500		
Clifton—D. F. Shoemaker, Warrensville	Yes	1903	Wood	250	1		1000				
Friendship—Clifford Marsh, Jefferson	Yes	1907	Wood	300	1		1600		1600		
Glendale—Ellen Bowlin, Glendale Springs	Yes	1915	Wood	200	1		1500		1500		
Grassy Creek—Mrs. F. C. Nye, Grassy Creek	Yes	1927	Wood	300			3000		3000		
Healing Springs—Mrs. Sallie Baker, Crumpler	Yes	1888	Wood	300	4	2	2500		2500		

Landmark—T. A. Jones, Grassy Creek	Yes	1909	Wood	300	1		3000		3000			
Laurel Knob—G. S. Halman, Todd	Yes	1910	Wood		1		500		500			
Liberty Grove—J. P. Howell, Fleetwood	Yes	1916	Wood	300	1		1400		1400			
Liberty Hill—J. H. Wagoner, Nathan's Creek	Yes	1910	Wood	300	1		400		484			
Little Helton—Zola B. Jones, Helton	Yes	1925	Wood	300	1		2000		2000			
Long Branch—J. G. Welch, Lansing	Yes	1920	Wood	300	1		1400		1400			
Mission Home—J. H. Gentry, W. Jefferson	Yes	1900	Wood	300	1		1600		1600			
Mountain View												
New River—W. D. Brown, Weaver's Ford	Yes		Wood	400	1		1500		1500			
Oak Hill—Reaves Stewart, Jefferson	Yes	1927	Wood	300	1		2500		2500			
Obids—Mrs. Nettie McNeill, Obids	Yes	1903	Wood	400	1		2000		2000			
Old Fields—W. M. Blackburn, Brownwood	Yes	1926	Wood	400			4000		4000			
Orion—J. F. Dillard, Jefferson	Yes	1911	Wood	300	1		2500		2500			
Peak Valley—Mrs. Queen Elliott, Creston	Yes	1902	Wood	500	1		700		700			
Phoenix—Mrs. F. L. Waddell, Bina	Yes	1912	Wood	300	2	4	3000		3000			
Pilot Mountain—T. D. Watson, Broadside	Yes	1899	Wood	200	1		500					
Pleasant Branch—Josie Osborn, Grassy Creek	Yes	1931	Wood	175	1		500					
Pleasant Hill												
Pleasant Home—Lee Waddell, Grassy Creek	Yes	1898	Wood	200	1		2000		2000			
Pleasant Valley—Blaine Phipps, Grassy Creek	Yes	1926	Wood	150	1		1500		1500			
Sabbath Home—Mr. C. L. Goss, Lansing	Yes	1932	Wood	200	1		1500		1500			
Smethport												
Sturgills—Charlie Sizemore, Sturgills												
Tuckerdale—G. C. Jones, Tuckerdale	Yes	1917	Wood	400	1		1500		1500			
Valley Home—Vyrus Miller, Toliver	Yes	1918	Wood	350	1		1000		1000			
Warrensville—John M. Burket, Warrensville	Yes	1929	Wood	200	1		1500		1500			
West Jefferson—B. F. Cook, West Jefferson	Yes	1929	Brick	700	9	5	15500	2000	17500	825	1000	
Welcome Home—C. A. Goodman, Jefferson	Yes	1936	Wood	250	1		1500		1500	200		
TOTAL							72450		77450	1025		

TABLE IV. GIFTS FOR LOCAL CHURCH WORK OF ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, AUGUST 1937

CHURCHES, REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES	Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	Literature for S. S. B. Y. P. U., and W.M.S	Help Given to Local Poor	For Printing Minutes and Clerk of Asso.	Other Objects	Total for Local Purposes Given by All
Apple Grove—A. P. Howell, White Top, Va.										
Bald Mountain—W. L. Houck, W. Jefferson	95.71		38.00	139.70		8.00		1.55	2.35	287.30
Baptist Home										
Beaver Creek—Hayden Goodman, W. Jefferson	41.00					2.79		1.50		45.29
Bethel—R. G. Phillips, Oval	100.00		18.52		3.75	7.78		1.85		131.90
Big Flatts—P. H. Haire, Fleetwood	78.80	16.55		78.54	1.94	15.41		1.50		192.74
Big Laurel—Earl M. Roten, Hemlock	30.00			10.00			3.00	1.00		44.00
Bristol—Louise Proctor, Jefferson	19.90			23.00				2.15		45.05
Buffalo—Mrs. Clyde Lewis, W. Jefferson	65.00		24.72	16.00		15.66		1.50		122.88
Chestnut Hill—Mrs. Frances Jones, Crumpler	77.55		10.00		61.30			1.50		175.25
Clifton—D. F. Shoemaker, Warrensville	32.00	2.20	12.25					1.50		47.95
Friendship—T. K. Luther, Jefferson	78.00	10.55			5.00	9.04		2.20	11.60	116.39
Glendale—Garder Severt, Glendale Springs	11.81		23.81			11.28		1.30		48.20
Grassy Creek—Mrs. F. C. Nye, Grassy Creek	60.15		15.00		14.00			3.00		92.15
Healing Springs—Mrs. Sallie Baker, Crumpler	114.30		41.75		6.50	17.30	3.01	4.00		186.86
Landmark—T. A. Jones, Grassy Creek	65.63				17.15			5.00		87.78

Laurel Knob—Lawson Edwards, Todd	67.65		14.85			10.25		2.00		94.75
Liberty Grove—C. E. Howell, Todd	130.00		16.62	100.00	2.00	9.49	10.00	1.50		269.61
Liberty Hill—J. H. Wagoner, Nathan's Creek				84.42				2.85		87.27
Little Helton—Zola B. Jones, Helton	21.00		6.00					2.00		29.00
Long Branch—Carl Sexton, Lansing	40.00		60.00		10.00	8.00	5.00	3.00		126.00
Mission Home—J. H. Gentry, W. Jefferson	76.92		25.00			10.00		2.10	1.00	115.02
Mountain View										
New River—W. D. Brown, Weaversford	83.33		27.85		5.00	9.76	32.60	3.00		161.50
Oak Hill—Bell Kilby, Bina	29.00					3.60	15.00	1.50		49.10
Obids—Mrs. Nettie McNeill, Obids	57.38		16.85		1.00	10.00		1.10	1.30	87.60
Old Fields—W. M. Blackburn, Brownwood	138.50	12.00	25.00	3.00		17.50		2.00	37.50	235.50
Orion—James Dillard, Jefferson	100.00	23.00						2.00		125.00
Peak Valley—Mrs. Queen Elliott, Creston	25.00							1.00		26.00
Phoenix—Mrs. F. L. Waddell, Bina	152.95	24.00			10.00	25.00	25.00	5.00	3.75	245.70
Pilot Mt.—T. D. Watson, Brookside	56.00		30.00			7.25		1.50		94.75
Pleasant Branch—Josie Osborne, Grassy Creek	43.51					1.70		1.60		46.81
Pleasant Hill										
Pleasant Home—Tena Debord, Grassy Creek	31.35		13.00		5.00	5.58		2.50		57.43
Pleasant Valley—Blain Phipps, Grassy Creek	54.12		40.43	160.00		6.16		2.00		253.96
Sabbath Home—Mrs. C. L. Goss, Lansing	33.00			45.00		8.00		2.80		88.80
Smethport										
Sturgills—Laura Sturgil, Sturgills	15.00		6.00			11.00		1.00		34.00
Tuckerdale—W. H. Darnell, Tuckerdale	6.50							2.00		8.50
Valley Home Vyrus Miller, Toliver	101.78		50.00			12.00	25.00	3.00		191.78
Warrensville—John Burket, Warrensville	80.00				4.00	20.67		1.50	16.31	122.48
West Jefferson—W. B. Trebble, West Jefferson	1079.92		95.00	1015.00	95.00	60.00	1.00	3.50		2644.42
Welcome Home—C. A. Goodman, Jefferson	25.50		10.00			12.00		2.55		50.05
TOTAL	3298.28	88.30	620.75	1664.66	241.64	335.26	119.61	82.55	73.81	6868.77

Church Dept and Interest—Chestnut Hill, $25; West Jefferson, $300.

TABLE V. GIFTS FOR MISSIONS, EDUCATION AND ALL BENOVOLENCES, AUGUST 1937

CHURCHES, REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES	Total to Co-operative Program	Special to State Missions	Special to Foreign Missions	Special to Orphanage	Special to Hospitals	Other Special Gifts	Total Given for Missions and Benevolences	Grand Total for All Purposes
Apple Grove—A. P. Howell, White Top, Va.								
Bald Mountain—W. L. Houck, West Jefferson	19.65						19.69	306.95
Baptist Home								
Beaver Creek—Hayden Goodman, West Jefferson	18.91					1.50	20.41	64.94
Bethel—R. G. Phillips, Oval				2.00	10.00		12.00	143.90
Big Flatts—P. H. Haire, Fleetwood	22.54	2.25	6.45	42.73	2.60		78.57	271.31
Big Laurel—Earl M. Roten, Hemlock				7.39	1.00		8.30	52.30
Briston—Louise Proctor, Jefferson					1.50		1.50	46.55
Buffalo—Mrs. Clyde Lewis, W. Jefferson	10.00			4.50	6.30		20.80	143.68
Chestnut Hill—Mrs. Francis Jones, Crumpler				12.00	22.00		34.00	209.25
Clifton—D. F. Shoemaker, Warrensville	2.00				3.05		5.05	53.00
Friendship—T. K. Luther, Jefferson					15.10		15.10	131.49
Glendale—Gordon Severt, Glendale Springs				9.50	7.50		16.00	53.49
Grassy Creek—Mrs. F. C. Nye, Grassy Creek	6.64			3.50	2.31		12.43	104.60
Healing Springs—Mr. Sullie Baker, Crumpler	4.70			89.23	11.00		102.00	289.16
Land Mark—T. A. Jones, Grassy Creek				22.20	17.76		39.96	127.72

Laurel Knob—Lawson Edwards, Todd	21.12			10.50		1.65	33.27	128.02
Liberty Grove—C. E. Howell, Todd		2.00		32.00			34.00	303.11
Liberty Hill—J. H. Wagoner, Nathan's Creek								87.27
Little Helton—Zola B. Jones, Helton					7.00		7.00	36.00
Long Branch—Carl Sexton, Lansing	5.00	4.00			34.50		43.50	169.50
Mission Home—J. H. Gentry, W. Jefferson			13.71	11.84			37.22	152.24
Mountain View								
New River—W. D. Brown, Weaver's Ford	20.00			40.75	1.33		62.08	223.64
Oak Hill—Bell Kilbey, Bina					40.00		40.00	89.10
Old Fields—W. M. Blackburn, Brownwood	23.16		4.00	39.08	7.50	2.00	68.62	355.87
Orion—James Dillard, Jefferson					10.85		10.85	145.85
Obids—Mrs. Nettie McNeill, Obids				16.50	5.00		21.50	109.13
Peak Valley—Mrs. Oreen Elliott, Creston					36.00		36.00	61.00
Phoenix—Mrs. F. L. Waddell, Bina	14.00			57.00	25.00	8.60	104.66	350.36
Pilot Mountain—T. D. Watson, Brookside								87.50
Pleasant Branch—Josie Osborn, Grassy Creek					7.20		7.20	55.61
Pleasant Hill								
Pleasant Home—Tena Decord, Grassy Creek				3.00	4.25		7.25	64.68
Pleasant Valley—Blaine Phipps, Grassy Creek				2.50			2.50	256.46
Sabbath Home—Mrs. C. L. Goss, Lansing				42.00			42.00	130.80
Smethport								
Sturgills—Laura Sturgills, Lansing								25.00
Tuckerdale—W. H. Darnell, Tuckerdale					4.65		4.65	13.15
Valley Home—Vyrus Miller, Toliver	8.15			1.56	3.18		12.89	204.67
Warrensville—John Burkett, Warrensville			4.00	2.50	2.00		9.50	131.98
West Jefferson—W. B. Tribble, W. Jefferson	93.06		20.05	143.37	19.78		276.21	2920.63
Welcome Home—C. A. Goodman, Jefferson					7.40		7.40	57.45
TOTAL	268.93	10.25	48.21	596.56	315.76	11.75	1254.22	8156.85

Special to Associational Missions—Mission Home, $9.67; Special to Home Missions—Mission Home, $2.00; Old Fields, $6.88.

TABLE VII. W. M. U. ORGANIZATIONS AND GIFTS

CHURCHES, PRESIDENTS OF W. M. S. AND POST OFFICES	No. of W.M.S.'s	W.M.S. Members	Total Members	Contributions (Local Work) Given by W.M.U.	Contributions (Missions) W.M.U.	Grand Total All Purposes
Big Flatts—Mrs. F. L. Houck, Fl'tw.	1	9	31	4.00	18.67	22.67
L'b'ty G.—Mrs. Maud Goodman, F.w'd	1	15	15	10.91	2.00	12.91
Old F.—Miss Blanch Hartzog, Idlewild	1	15	15	15.00	16.50	31.50
Phoenix—Mrs. Adolphus Mullis, Bina	1	11	11	44.00		44.00
W'ville—Mrs. John M. Burket, W'ville	1	9	9	6.31	4.00	10.31
W. J'ff'—Mrs. W. T. Whittington W. J.	1	20	69	240.95		240.95
TOTAL		79	150	321.17	41.17	362.34

Number of Y. W. A.'s—West Jefferson, 1; Number of G. A's. —Big Flatts, 1; West Jefferson, 1. Number of R. A.'s—West Jefferson, 1. Number of Sunbeams—West Jefferson, 1. Total of W. M. U. Organization—Big Flats, 2; West Jefferson, 5. Y. W. A.'s Members—West Jefferson, 15. A.'s Members—Big Flats, 22; West Jefferson 12. R. A.'s Members—West Jefferson, 12. Sunbeam members—West Jefferson, 10.

TABLE VI. Baptist Training Union and Men's Brotherhood

CHURCHES	B. A. U.'s	Senior B. Y. P. U.'s	Intermediate B. Y. P. U.'s	Junior B. Y. P. U.'s	Total Enrolled	Daily Bible Readers	Total Systematic Givers in All Unions
Bald Mountain		1					
Big Flats		1			21	3	20
Old Fields				1	18		
Phoenix			1		15		
West Jefferson	1	1			19		
TOTAL					73		

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EXECUTICE COMMITTEE AND BOARD OF MISSIONS

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J. W. GAMBILL ----------West Jefferson, N. C.

STANDING COMMITTEE FOR 1939

State Missions ----------Rev. G. C. Burkett, Jefferson, N. C.
Home Missions ----------Miss Vivian Parson, Obids, N. C.
Foreign Missions ------Rev. T. J. Cockerham, Crumpler, N. C.
Sunday School—Rev. Rexford R. Campbell, W. Jefferson, N. C.
V. B. School, Rev. W. T. Whittington------ W. Jefferson, N. C.
Biblical Recorder—Mrs. B. E. Reeves-------W. Jefferson, N. C.
Hospital ----------James Harless, Smethport, N. C.
Orphanage ----------Rev. Arthur Ashley, Warrensville, N. C.
Christian Education -------Rev. Swanson Edwards, Todd, N. C.
Pastoral Support ----------Ira T. Johnston, Jefferson, N. C.
Temperance ----------Rev. H. M. Winkler, Todd, N. C.
Old Ministers' Relief -------Rev. C. W. Sexton, Lansing, N. C.
Obituaries ----------Clark Houck, W. Jefferson, N. C.
B. T. U. ---------- Darius Severt, W. Jefferson, N. C.
W. M. U. ----------Mrs. Ralph Parsons, W. Jefferson, N. C.
Laymen's Work ----------Prof. F. C. Nye, Grassy Creek, N. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS OF ASHE ASSOCIATION

Ashley, R. C. ---------- Bina, N. C.
Ashley, A. C. ---------- Warrensville, N. C.
Burkett, R. M. ---------- Jefferson, N. C.
Burkett, G. C. ---------- Jefferson, N. C.
Blackburn, Wiley ---------- Jefferson, N. C.
Blevins, E. ---------- Grassy Creek, N. C.
Blevins, J. C. ---------- Grassy Creek, N. C.
Barker, W. F. ---------- Grassy Creek, N. C.
Campbell, R. R. ---------- West Jefferson, N. C.
Cope, C. M. ---------- Elkton, Md.
Cockerham, T. J. ---------- Crumpler, N. C.
Campbell, J. A. ---------- Jefferson, N. C.
Dolinger, R. L. ---------- Sturgills, N. C.
Denney, W. E. ---------- Grassy Creek, N. C.
Denney, G. L. ---------- Grassy Creek, N. C.
Eller, E. A. ---------- Grassy Creek, N. C.
Farmer, T. A. ---------- Lansing, N. C.
Goodman, C. F. ---------- West Jefferson, N. C.
Gentry, J. H. ---------- West Jefferson, N. C.
Haire, P. H. ---------- Fleetwood, N. C.
Hart, M. D. ---------- Tuckerdale, N. C.
Hurley, W. L. ---------- Crumpler, N. C.
Keller, L. N. ---------- Fleetwood, N. C.
Neaves, J. M. ---------- Crumpler, N. C.
Osborne, Roy ---------- Fig, N. C.
Powers Arthur ---------- Brandon, N. C.
Parsons, C. C. ---------- Grassy Creek, N. C.
Sturgill, R. J. ---------- Elkton, Md.
Sexton, E. Z. ---------- Comet, N. C.
Trivett, G. L. ---------- Alvarado, Va.
Trivett, J. S. ---------- Fleetwood, N. C.
Testerman, Luther ---------- Amy, N. C.
Thomas, W. R. ---------- Warrensville, N. C.
Whittington, W. T. ---------- West Jefferson, N. C.
Winkler, H. M. ---------- Todd, N. C.

LIST OF MESSENGERS ASHE ASSOCIATION

Bald Mountain—Millard Holman, Thomas Holman, Byard Houck.

Beaver Creek—L. L. Pierce, Price Goodman, Mattie Goodman.

Bethel—J. V. Goodman, Worth Bare, R. G. Phillips.

Big Flatts—Russell Phillips, Floyd Parsons, J. L. Bumgarner,

Big Laurel—Earl M. Roten, Lester Roten, Mattie Rupard.

Bristol—Wolie Testerman, Mamie Wallace, Louise Wallace.

Buffalo—Spencer Friesland, C. C. Hodge, James Harless.

Chestnut Hill—W. H. McMillan, Francis M. Jones, Robert Gambill.

Clifton—D. F. Shoemake, Nathan Richardson, K. L. Eller.

Friendship—Don Witherspoon, Davis Burkett, Lawrence Burkett.

Glendale—Gord Miller, George Miller, Mrs. J. E. Whitley.

Grassy Creek—Straley Livesay, Dewie Cox, Walter Hudler.

Healing Springs—M. M. Blevins, Jim Teaster, Mrs. L. W. Baker.

Landmark—Barney Stuart, Walter Hurley, Rosco Oliver.

Laurel Knob—Tom Goodman, Jr., W. R. Grubb, Lon Edwards.

Liberty Grove, Cliver Howell, Howard Norris, Tatem Brown.

Liberty Hill—L. D. Roup, T. E. Dixon, J. H. Wagoner.

Little Helton—L. T. Cooper, Vince McClure, Zola Jones.

Long Branch—Joseph Poe, J. G. Welch, Jones Welch.

Mission Home—H. C. Greene, J. F. Blackburn, J. H. Gentry.

New River—G. C. Shephard, Mrs. Florence Porter, Miss Edith Phipps.

Oak Hill—Reeves Stuart, G. W. Blevins, James Hamby.

Obids—Mrs. Zetta Hamby, Mrs. Ollie Burgess, Miss Vivian Parsons.

Old Fields—H. O. Baker, Flavil Phillips, Ferrie Hartzog, J. E. Cheek.

Orion—W. M. Dillard, Jesse Bare, W. H. Miller.

Peak Valley—T. C. Monday, Joe Flannery, Roy Eggers.

Phoenix—W. C. Trivett, F. L. Barker, N. J. Koontz.

Pilot Mountain—Brantley, McGuire, R. F. Vannoy, Glenn Miller.

Pleasant Branch—Vestal Reedy, Blair Young, W. E. Reedy.

Pleasant Home—Carl Waddell, Willie Thompson, Curtis Handy.

Pleasant Valley—Hoyt Debord, G. C. Brinegar, Leslie Jones.

Sabbath Home—John Goss, Victor Goss, Mrs. Villar Stansberry.

Smethport—Jake Day, Avery Elliott, Mrs. Mae Leek.

Sturgills—Frank Kelley, Ray Sturgill, C. B. Sturgill.

Tuckerdale—Edd Combs, J. L. Powers, Blane Powers.

Valley Home—Finley Miller, J. D. Bledsoe, L. M. Roark.

Warrensville—Ance Johnson, John M. Burkett, Dewey Turnmire.

West Jefferson—Ira T. Johnston, J. W. Gambill, David Harless.

Welcome Home—H. T. Goodman, Earl Goodman, Charlie Marsh.

CONSTITUTION

Article 1. This body shall be called the Ashe Association.

OBJECTS

Article 2. The object of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the gospel in our bounds, and in all the world, and in this work the Association will co-operate with the Baptist State Convention.

MEMBERSHIP

Article 3. The membership of this body shall be all the ordained ministers of the churches of the Association, and three delegates from each church. A letter certifying their appointment and giving statistics of the membership and work of the church shall be sent to the Clerk at least fifteen days before the opening of the session.

ORGANIZATION

Article 4. At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a Moderator and Clerk and Treasurer. This election shall take place hereafter at the sitting of the association instead of at the close of the session, and those elected shall serve through the next session.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Article 5. The Moderator shall preside at all meetings, preserve order, appoint committees, and perform such duties as are required of presiding officers.

Article 6. The Clerk shall keep a correct record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing and distribution to the churches the proceedings of the body.

Article 7. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent to the Association, to pay them out as the Association may direct, and make a report at each annual session.

TIME AND PLACE

Article 8. The Association shall hold an annual meeting at such time and place as may be agreed upon.

APPOINTMENTS

Article 9. At each annual meeting there shall be appointed an executive committee of five brethren who shall look after the destitution in the bounds of this Association, and co-operate with the State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention, making to the next session a report of the work done and all the general State Mission work.

Article 10. Association shall convene annually on the last Friday in August. At each annual session there shall be appointed committees to make reports to the ensuing session, on the following subjects, to-wit: State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Pastoral Support, Ministerial Education, Baptist Orphanage, Biblical Recorder, Temperance, Digest Church Letter, Finance, Place and Preacher for next Association, and Baptist Hospital.

ORDER OF RELIGIOUS EXERCISES

Article 11. Each annual session shall be introduced by a

sermon by some brother previously appointed.

Article 12. In addition to the introductory sermon the committee on religious exercises shall arrange at least one other sermon each day the Association is in session and all business shall be suspended while the sermon is being delivered; but no sermon shall be scheduled while the Association is engaged in a business session.

PREROGATIVES

Article 13. The Association will not retain in permanent fellowship any church that retains in its fellowship any member who is disorderly in doctrine or practice, or who makes, sells, or in any way deals in ardent spirits as a beverage.

CONSTITUTION—HOW AMENDED

Article 14. This Constitution may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual session.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES

1st. We believe in one true and living God, and that there are three persons in the God-head, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, and these three are one.

2nd. We believe that the Bible, the New Testament, is the Word of God and the only rule of faith and practice.

3rd. We believe in the impotency of man and the sovereignty of God.

4th. We believe that the salvation is by Grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5th. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ to be practiced only by believers in their spiritual order.

6th. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by qualified administrators, and that those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and doctrine, should take the Lord's Supper.

7th. We believe in the final perseverance of the saints in grace to glory.

8th. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and general judgment.

9th. We believe that the existence of the righteous and the wicked will both be of eternal duration, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

RULES OF ORDER

1. Every session shall be opened and closed by prayer.
2. When the Moderator calls the house to order, every member shall at once take his seat.
3. When a member wishes to speak he shall rise and address the Moderator, and not proceed until he is recognized.
4. No member shall speak more than twice on any subject except by permission of the body.
5. No member shall leave the body during the session without permission of the Moderator.
6. It shall be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold private conversation while any person is speaking.

PROGRAM OF THE ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

1939 SESSION

Friday Morning, August 25, 1939

9:45 Devotional Exercises; Prayer by Rev. T. A. Farmer.
10:00 Introductory Sermon by Rev. W. T. Whittington. Alternate: Rev. Arthur Ashley.
10:30 Moderator's Period:
(a) Election of officers for next session.
(b) Reception of churches and visitors.
(c) Report by officers and from churches.
(d) Appointment of committees.
11:00 Report on Periodicals and Reading Matters.
11:20 Report on Orphanage.
12:00 Adjournment for Lunch.

Friday Afternoon

1:00 Report on Cooperative Program (a) Hospital (b) State Missions (c) Home Missions (d) Foreign Missions.
2:00 Sermon, Rev. T. A. Farmer.
2:30 Miscellaneous.
(a) Additional reports from churches and visitors.
(b) Announcement of homes for messengers and visitors.
3:00 Adjournment.

Saturday Morning, August 26

9:30 Devotional Exercises; Prayer by Rev. Donally Hart.
9:45 Report on Training Activities (a) Sunday School (b) Baptist Training Union (c) Layman's Work (d) Women's Missionary Union and (e) Christian Schools.
10:45 Report on Temperance.
11:05 Sermon, Rev. C. W. Sexton.
11:35 Miscellaneous.
12:00 Adjournment for Lunch.

Saturday Afternoon

1:00 Report on Ministerial Support (a) Pastors' Salaries (b) Ministers' Relief.
1:30 Discussion of plans for the ensuing year (a) Pastor (b) Deacons (c) Sunday School Superintendents (d) Training Activities.
2:30 Reports of Committees (a) Resolutions (b) Place and Preacher (c) Finance.
3:00 Sermon, Rev. H. M. Winkler.

Sunday Morning, August 27

10:30 Devotional Exercises, Rev. E. Z. Sexton.
11:00 Sermon, Rev. W. T. Whittington.
12:00 Miscellaneous and Adjournment.

Program

1938 SESSION ASHE BAPTIST ASS'N.

Friday Morning, August 26, 1938

The 52nd Annual Session of the Ashe Missionary Baptist Association met with New River Baptist Church.

Introductory Sermon was preached by Rev. W. T. Whittington. Text: Hebrew, 11-4.

1st. Call for New Churches. No response.

2nd. Call for visitors. The following were seated with the body: Rev. H. A. Bullis, Stone Mountain Association; Rev. Grady Hamby, Caldwell Association; I. G. Greer, Superintendent Baptist Orphanage, Liberty Association; Smith Haggerman, Superintendent Baptist Hospital, Pilot Mt. Association; L. C. Blevins, Washington, D. C.; Dr. M. A. Addams, Sandy Run Association; Rev. J. C. Pipes, Buncombe Association.

3rd. Call for reports from Churches on progress during the year. A number of Churches made reports of good Revivals with great ingathering of Souls.

4th. Appointment of Committee on Religious exercises. Delegates and Pastor of New River Church.

5th. Report on Periodicals. Discussed by Rev. W. T. Whittington, Prof. F. C. Nye and E. C. Eller.

6th. Report on Orphanage. Discussed by J. P. Howell, Mrs. W. T. Whittington, I. G. Greer.

7th. Adjournment for Lunch. Prayer by Rev. W. T. Whittington.

Friday Afternoon Session

Song Service. Prayer by Rev. H. A. Bullis.

1st. Report on Foreign Missions. Report on Home Missions. Report on State Missions. Report on Baptist Hospital. Discussed by Rev. W. T. Whittington, Mr. Smith Haggerman and Rev. J. C. Pipes

2nd. Sermon by Rev. G. C. Burkett.

3rd. Homes for Messengers assigned.

4th. Rev. T. J. Cockerham was named to preach at night.

5th. Adjournment. Prayer by Prof. F. C. Nye.

Saturday Morning, August 27, 1938

Scripture reading by Rev. W. F. Barker. Prayer by Rev. Donley Heart.

1st. Report on B. T. U. Report on W. M. U. Report on Layman's Work. Report on Christian Education. Discussion by D. C. Severt, Rev. W. T. Whittington, Rev. R. R. Campbell and Ira T. Johnston.

2nd. Report on Temperance. Discussion by Dr. M. A. Addams after which an offering was made amounting to $7.09.

3rd. Miscellaneous. Rev. J. M. Hayes spoke on the subject of "Christian Education."

4th. On motion the 4th Article in our Constitution be

changed to read: "At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a Moderator and Clerk and Treasurer. This election shall take place at the beginning of the session instead of the close, as has been the custom. These officers shall serve through the next Session of the Association."

5th By motion we as a body vote our thanks to the New River Church and Community for the kind hospitality during this session of the Association.

6th. Sermon by Rev. W. E. Denney.

7th. Adjournment. Prayer by Rev. R. R. Campbell.

Saturday Afternoon Session

1st. Report on Old Ministers' Relief. Report on Pastoral Support. Discussed by Ira T. Johnston, Rev. C. W. Sexton, Rev. R. R. Campbell and Rev. J. M. Hayes.

2nd. Report on Resolutions.

3rd. Report on Finance.

4th. Report on Committee on place and Preacher.

5th. Election of officers. Prof. J. C. Goodman was re-elected Moderator, W. E. Campbell offered his resignation as Clerk and Treasurer and Fitzhugh Barker was elected for the coming year.

6th. Sermon by Rev. H. M. Winkler.

7th. Adjournment.

RESOLUTIONS

Be it resolved by the Association in its 52nd. annual session:

1. That we extend to the members of New River Church and the people of the community our deepest appreciation and thanks for their hospitality and fellowship extended during this session of the Association.

2. That we pledge to our officials and pastors our most hearty and loyal support and cooperation for the ensuing year.

3. That as evidence of our appreciation of the messages brought to us by representatives of the various denominational causes, we urgently recommend:

(a) That each church and Sunday School in the Ashe Association take an offering for the Orphanage on the first Sunday in each month and take a Thanksgiving offering, at which time each Baptist in the Association shall contribute the equivalent of one day's work to the Orphanage.

(b) That a Mother's Day offering be taken for the Baptist Hospital at Winston-Salem in each church in the Association.

(c) That the fine work, which we heartily commend, of filling cans and sending to the Orphanage and the Hospital to be continued and extended.

(d) That every church in the Association assume as a part of its program reasonable and regular support of the Co-operative Program.

(e) That every Church in the Association take a special offering at the time the Lord's Supper is celebrated for the Old Ministers' Relief Fund.

4. That all our people think seriously of any prayer earnestly for a spiritual awakening of our people.

5. That whereas, W. A. Campbell, who has served for several years as Clerk of the Association in a highly efficient and satisfactory manner has resigned, appreciation of his faithful service is hereby expressed.

REV. C. W. SEXTON,
W. H. McMILLAN,
IRA T. JOHNSTON, Committee.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ON PLACE AND PREACHER FOR NEXT ASSOCIATION

Your Committee respectfully submits the following report:

After carefully considering requests for the next session of Ashe Association from Glendale Springs, Peak Valley, Phoenix and Friendship Church, your Committee recommends that the next session of the Association be held at Friendship Church, near Jefferson, North Carolina.

Your Committee recommends Rev. W. E. Denney to preach the Introductory Sermon.

IRA T. JOHNSTON, Chairman,
W. T. HARLESS,
W. D. BROWN, Committee.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

For a hundred years the objective of State Missions has been to win people to Christ and then to the fellowship which the churches provide. The key word for "winning" in the New Testament is "witnessing." We understand, then, that the method of winning people, whether as individuals or whether as churches, cooperating one with another, is in witnessing to the redeeming love and power of the Lord Jesus in the individual life and in all human relationship. This is the primary task of State Missions.

We list and discuss briefly a few of the functions of the State Board of Missions:

1. **Missionary Pastoral Assistance:** "To the poor the gospel is preached" in many needy and stategic places—many of our strong churches formerly aided by the Board, are now returning to the treasury for all purposes one hundredfold. In many sections the pastors do not receive sufficient support from their churches to keep them fit for kingdom service. The Board endeavors to extend them financial aid in a limited way in order that the hungry sheep may look up and be fed.

2. **Church Building:** All through the years and even at the present, churches in stategic centers are aided in building plants that are needed.

3. **Teaching and Training:** The State Board is carrying on a Christian Educational program now with great emphasis laid upon the training of our young people for kingdom work.

4. **The Negroes:** The Baptist State Convention is now undertaking to cooperate with the work of the negro state convention by cooperation rather than to provide white workers among the negroes.

5. **Work among Students in the Colleges:** The great in-

al effects, household goods, clothes, and all the intimate personal accummulations of a lifetime. It is estimated that fifty missionaries have lost an average of $1,000.00 each in personal property and belongings. The Foreign Mission Board has no funds whatever for reimbursing these missionaries. When the war is over in China and we come into possession of our property again the question of rebuilding and repairing is going to be acute indeed.

We feel that the present condition in the far east has created one of the greatest opportunities that has come to our people in a long time, and we hope that each and every church in our denomination will help to meet this necessary added burden in a way that will be a credit to the members of our denomination in carrying out the great commission of Christ.

Respectfully submitted,
W. B. OLIVER.

REPORT ON HOSPITAL

In Matthew, 4:23 we find these words—"And Jesus went all about Galilee teaching in the synagogues and preaching the gospel of the kingdom and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people."

If we are true Missionary Baptist and true to Christ, we will do something to help relieve human suffering. This is the reason for the establishment of the Baptist Hospital. They are now endeavoring to complete plans to enlarge the Hospital in order to make room for the multitudes who are asking for admittance.

From January 1st. to August 20th. there have been nineteen patients from Ashe county who could not pay anything. This is a total cost of $4755.19 for free service for the patients.

The Hospital is doing its best to relieve human suffering. Are we a Missionary Baptist doing our best in helping to support the Hospital?

Matthew, 25-36, "Naked, and ye clothed me, I was sick and ye visited me, I was in prison and ye come unto me."

Respectfully submitted,
HAGGIE PARSONS.

REPORT ON OLD MINISTERS' RELIEF

The Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention has rendered a great service for the last twenty years in providing food, clothing and shelter for thousands of ministers who have grown old in service of our Lord and Master, and for widows of ministers who have gone to their reward.

The Board is still asking the churches to take at least one offering in connection with the Lord's Supper each year for Ministerial Relief. Ministers find it a great joy to preach about the different organizations of the church, but to present and promote the work of the relief and annuity board is too much like begging, but to the church it would be a sound idea of solving the problem that is world wide to all our churches.

Sickness and old age befall every Minister sooner or later and the church wants an active, alert pastor. It should feel a

full sense of obligation to the man who served them through the years and has suddenly become unable for further service. The average pastor has been unable to save anything for himself or his family and finds himself practically a pauper, when he stops serving churches.

Governments of many nations have recognized the liability of old age and sickness and made provisions for it.

In our country, church and state are separate and the ministers prefer not to be included in the protection by the government.

The church must meet this obligation. The financial worries about the future must be removed. A revival of religion in our churches must come with revival of preaching. How can it when the preacher is embarrassed with financial obligations for the future. These worries must be removed by the churches for the pastor. Our faithful servants ought not be turned out in their old age to starve and depend on fitful charity.

We will always have a responsibility in this matter for the work of the kingdom of God, that it be not hindered and that the dignity of his servants and his cause on earth be not dishonored.

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN M. BURKETT.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

The task of the Home Mission Board is to lift up Christ and make him known in the Homeland. Each generation in the Homeland must be evangelized. In this work of Christianizing the Homeland we are serving the world. A triumphant Missionary program in our country is necessary if we would push our conquest for Christ in lands afar. It is noteworthy that 75% of the Rulers of China are educated in America. That means if we had given them Christ, with their education, China today would have been practically ruled by Christians.

The board has adjusted its budget so as to operate on a cash basis. And we are gradually but surely paying our debts, and reducing the debt more than one hundred thousand dollars a year. The missionary-minded women of the South have done much to help in this work. They gave $130,000 last year. The missionaries working in the Homeland report: 278 mission churches and 332 mission out-stations where work is carried on, 3,633 conversions and 3,136 Baptized into our mission churches.

Baptist have the money, they have the talent; above all we have the message that will save the world. And God gives us the will to perform it.

Respectfully,
G. L. TRIVETT.

REPORT OF PASTORAL SUPPORT

Reference to the minutes of the Ashe Association reveals the encouraging fact that in 1933, the total pastors' salaries was $1618.65 and in 1937, $3298.28, perhaps the largest total in the

history of the Association. We are, therefore, making progress. Yet, the last named amount seems rather meager when we scan the table which contains the names of the various pastors and find that it was divided among eighteen men who serve the more than forty churches in our Association. True, five churches made no report on this matter last year. The smallest amount reported from any church was $6.50 and the largest amount was $1079.92. The total amount represents almost exactly one dollar per year per member for pastors' salaries. Of course, many pay a great deal more than that and many do not pay anything. A few are not able to pay; but the great majority of our people could pay more than they are paying and not be hurt; yea, verily, they would receive a blessing.

Let us suggest that each church plan to increase the amount raised for the salary of the pastor for the next year by not less than twenty per cent. "The laborer is worthy of his hire." "Let each one of you, on the first day of the week, lay by him in store, as the Lord has blessed him."

Respectfully submitted.
IRA T JOHNSTON, Committee.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

"Go, ye, therefore and teach all Nations, teaching them to observe all things I have commanded you."

Here, in the great commission, we hear Jesus telling us to teach. He tells to teach two things, first we might say evangelize; second, enlist. He also tells us to teach everyone. How is our teaching comparing with what Jesus says? Have we reached our possibilities as to number? Are we teaching God's word and evangelizing the world? Are we enlisting in Christian service?

In the Vacation Bible school department this year we have reached twenty-nine churches in Ashe county. God has been good to us and has been in the work. We are thankful for his leadership. Let us ever look forward to even greater things in 1939.

Let this be our motto as Sunday school officers and Vacation Bible School leader—"Christ in the heart of every Man, Woman, Boy and Girl in Ashe county to the utmost part of the earth."

Respectfully submitted,
R. R. CAMPBELL.

REPORT ON B. T. U.

This has been the greatest year in training Union work in the history of our Association. During the last session of our Association Miss Mable Starnes made an address on the training work and the pastors invited her to visit so many of our churches that she decided to give us the week she had reserved for her vacation.

During the week she made addresses at Healing Springs, Long Branch, Mission Home and Friendship. The other churches were requested, along with the pastors, to attend one of these

meetings most convenient to them. The Associational officers met with Miss Starnes during the week and arranged for Rev. Nathan C. Brooks to spend the first week in August in our church with his workers.

Sixteen churches requested workers. Results, thirteen new unions, making a total of eighteen unions now. Class enrollment for the week, 1171. Awards, 94. Present at Association meeting on Friday, 203. Churches represented, 13. Banner attendence, Long Branch Church, 34.

Respectfully submitted,
D. C. SEVERT.

REPORT ON LAYMAN'S WORK

Many Laymen in our Baptist Churches in the south have organized a brotherhood that has proven to be of much value to the church and pastor. This brotherhood assists the pastor in revival meetings and other work, visits the sick, holds prayer meetings with the unsaved, visits and encourages the unenlisted church members and visits and assists the weak churches in their services.

This brotherhood doesn't only help the churches, but it's activities give each brother encouragement, new information and a deeper spiritual awakening.

I recommend that each church organize this brotherhood.

Respectfully submitted,
DAVID HARLESS.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

One of the greatest and most serious problems which the church is confronted with today is that of Intemperance. Since the prohibition beer, wine and in many places, liquor, is sold to the public.

Drinking, intemperance, sin and law breaking in all forms are the results. All nations and all people since the time of Noah have been crushed and blighted by it when prohibition was repealed and intoxicating liquors sold and drunk as they are here in our land and country today.

It is a powerful aggressor and universal in its attacks. We cannot trust it. It is the mortal enemy of peace and order. The face of children, the demon that has dug more graves and sent more souls unshined to judgment than all the pestilences that have wasted life since God sent the plagues of Egypt and all the wars since Joshua stood beyond Jericho.

King alcohol has caused the enactment of laws which have opened the sluceways of destruction, pouring forth upon the people of this land a dreadful tide of intemperance with all the attendant evils of drunkenness, disease and death.

It is high time that all Christians and the church, like a mighty army moving as to war, were uniting and combining their prayers and efforts to put down this terrible course which is sweeping our nation and threatening to blight us.

Respectfully submitted,
TURNER D. WATSON.

W. M. U. REPORT

The W. M. U. of the Ashe Association held its annual meeting with Big Flatts Church June 17th, 1938. Topic: "The Trumpet Sounds—We Answer."

The following program was ably rendered: Devotion, Oldest member, Mrs. Harding; Song, by audience; Greetings, Miss Minnie Haire; Response, Mrs. Blanche Miller; History of the Mrs. Heck and the Year's Hymn, by Mrs. J. F. Fletcher. Reports and plans, Roll call of Churches, Inspirational address, Missionary from China. Lunch. Devotional—Pastor of the church, R. R. Campbell. Inspirational Address—Rev. G. L. Trivett. Report on Young Peoples' Work—Miss Minnie Haire. 23rd Psalm by Juanita Ashley. Song. "Importance of Training Young People," J. F. Fletcher, Kindrick, Va. "Golden Anniversary Meditation," by G. A. S.

All the old officers were re-elected with the exception of Mrs. Wick Vannoy, who resigned as secretary and treasurer. Re-elected they are: Superintendent, Mrs. Ralph Parsons; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. W. M. Blackburn; Young People's Leader, Miss Minnie Haire; Stewardship Chairman, Mrs. Blanche Miller; Personal Service, Mrs. A. B. Vannoy; Mission Study, Mrs. J. M. Privette. The Association adjourned to meet next year with Phoenix Baptist Church.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. W. M. BLACKBURN, Secretary-Treasurer.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Received from Finance Committee	$82.66
Paid for Printing Minutes	68.00
For Postage	12.00
Balance	2.66

In Memoriam

WILEY WINFRED BURKETT
HENRY A. CAMPBELL
LAWRENCE CAMPBELL
CORA ELIZABETH DeBOARD
JONES B. ELLER
JOSIE ELIZABETH EMERSON
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EMMALINE LOVELACE
JANE BALDWIN MULLIS
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JONATHON RASH
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RICHARD WATSON
MARY SELENA WEAVER

Printed as submitted by committee,

TABLE 1. CHURCH MEMBERSHIP, ETC. ASHE AS SOCIATION—YEAR ENDING AUGUST 1933

CHURCHES, PASTORS AND POST OFFICES	Town, Village or Country Church	When Constituted?	Days of Meeting	Members Reported Last Year	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP GAINS Baptisms	Letters	Statements	Restorations	LOSSES Letters	Exclusions	Erasures	Deaths	Total Present Members	Lord's Supper	Revival Meetings Held	Families Receiving State Baptist Paper	Weekly Prayer Meetings
Apple Grove																	
Bald Mountain—Grady Hamby, Lenoir	C	1910	1	111	3				3			4	107	1	1		No
Baptist Home																	
Beaver Creek—H. M. Winkler, Todd	C	1890	4	76					5			1	70	1	1		No
Bethel—E. Z. Sexton, Lansing	C	1851	2	61								2	59	1	1		No
Big Flatts—G. C. Burkett, Jefferson	C	1905	2	72		1						1	72			1	Yes
Big Laurel—J. R. Trivett, Tamarac	C	1880	1	54									50		1		
Bristol—E. Z. Sexton, Lansing	C	1928	4	72	3		1						76	1	1		No
Buffalo—Grady Hamby, Lenoir	C	1868	1	149	22							2	170	2	1	1	No
Chestnut Hill—A. C. Ashley, Warrensville	C	1928	2	43									42	1	1		No
Clifton—A. C. Ashley, Warrensville	C	1933	3	85								2	83		1		No
Friendship—W. E. Denney, Grassy Creek	C	1880	3	157	5				3			3	162	2	1		Yes
Glendale—W. R. Thomas, Warrensville	C	1914	3	45		1	1		3	1			44	1			No
Grassy Creek—R. H. Riley, Grant, Va.	C	1921	3	103	3				9			1	96		1	6	Yes
Healing Springs—W. E. Denney, Grassy Creek	C	1888	1	183	7			4	1			2	191	1	1		No

Landmark—W. E. Denney, Grassy Creek	C	1856	4	212	11	5			7	5		1	215	1	1		No
Laurel Knob—H. M. Winkler, Todd	C	1912	4	123	12	2	2					2	137	1	1	1	Yes
Liberty Grove—H. M. Winkler, Todd	C	1915	3	92					1				91	1	1		No
Liberty Hill—W. F. Barker, Grassy Creek	C	1910	3	34					3	2	9		20	1			No
Little Helton—G. L. Denney, Grassy Creek	C	1923	2	61	6	6	1						74	1	1		No
Long Branch—T. A. Farmer, Lansing	C	1887	1	82	1		2		4			2	79	1	1		No
Mission Home—H. M. Winkler, Todd	C	1892	1	62					8	1		1	53	2	1		Yes
Mountain View																	
New River—W. T. Whittington, W. Jefferson	C	1885	4	119	10	4			1			1	131	1	1		Yes
Oak Hill—J. C. Blevins, Grassy Creek	C	1927	3	42	1				2				41		1		No
Obids—G. C. Burkett, Jefferson	C	1903	1	77		3			1				79	1	1		No
Old Fields—Finley C. Watts, Purlear	C	1803	4	102	1	2					1	3	101	2			Yes
Orion—E. Z. Sexton, Lansing																	
Peak Valley—J. R. Trivett, Tamarack	C	1892	3		8	4	4						46				No
Phoenix—W. E. Denney, Grassy Creek	C	1908	2	125	8	4			2	1			134	1	1	10	Yes
Pilot Mountain—H. M. Winkler, Todd	C	1899	2	89	1								90	2	1		No
Pleasant Branch—A. C. Ashley, Warrensville	C	1931	4	37	5							1	42	1	1		No
Pleasant Hill																	
Pleasant Home—Cicero Ashley, Grassy Creek	C	1870	4	52	25	3						3	79	1	1		No
Pleasant Valley—E. A. Eller, Grassy Creek	C	1936	2	72					2			1	69		1		No
Sabbath Home—E. Z. Sexton, Lansing	C	1932	3	56	5				3		1	2	50	1	1		
Smethport—Cicero Ashley, Bina	V	1925	1		1				3				60				No
Sturgills—E. A. Eller, Grassy Creek	C	1933	1	21	8	1	4						34		1		No
Tuckerdale—M. D. Heart, Tuckerdale	V	1917	1	76	9	3		1				1	87	1	1		No
Valley Home—T. A. Farmer, Lansing	C	1916		77	30	3	8	8	2	1			144	1	2		Yes
Warrensville—Cicero Ashley, Bina	V	1929	3	57	18	1	4						80	1	1	5	No
West Jefferson—W. T. Whittington, W. Jefferson	T	1916	*	260	13	2			4			1	270	1	1	12	No
Welcome Home—A. C. Ashley, Warrensville	C	1934	1	39	8	4						1	50	1	1		Yes
TOTAL				3178	224	49	27	13	67	9	11	37	3572	1	1	35	

*Full Time.

TABLE II. SUNDAY SCHOOLS OF ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, YEAR ENDING AUGUST 1938

CHURCHES, SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST OFFICES	Cradle Roll Under 3 Years	Beginners 3-5 Yrs.	Primaries 6-8 Yrs.	Juniors 9-12 Years	Intermediates 13-16 Years	Young People 17-24 Years	Adults 25 Yrs. & Up	Total Enrollment	Average Attend'ce?	Baptisms from S.S.	Enrollment	Average Attend'ce	No. of Depts.
Apple Grove													
Bald Mountain—Byard Houck—West Jefferson		25	9	25	20		30	100	75	3			2
Baptist Home													
Beaver Creek—C. A. Call, West Jefferson		8	3	8	6	8	7	40	30		15	10	
Bethel—Lester Suber. Oval			32	17		22	24	95	58		35	25	2
Big Flats—J. V. Walker, Fleetwood		7	6	11	6	28	20	78	27		53	50	4
Big Laurel													
Bristol—Worlie Testerman, Jefferson			20	11			19	55	35				
Buffalo—Arthur Lewis, West Jefferson		6		10	14	16	10	56	45		30	22	2
Chestnut Hill—S. M. Blevins, Crumpler			11	11		14	12		27				
Clifton													
Friendship—Zeb Witherspoon, Jefferson	4	6	10	12		18	30	80	50		28	23	2
Glendale—J. E. Whitley, Glendale Springs			52	25			50	125					
Grassy Creek—Dewey Cox, Grassy Creek	6	6	3	5	10	7	15	61	38	1			
Healing Springs—Frank McMillan, Crumpler		12	12	18		24	20	86	68	8	25	25	
Landmark—Roscoe Oliver, Grassy Creek		40		20	15		52	127	65		32	27	2
Laurel Knob—G. S. Holman, Todd	6	10	8	11	18	12	15	80	50		192	150	

Liberty Grove—Sanford Howell, Fleetwood		6	7	10	15	20	30	88	42				
Liberty Hill									50				
Little Helton—Guy Spencer, Grassy Creek													
Long Branch—Miss Gladis Sexton, Lansing	5	6	10	12	8	12	10	63	20		36	24	2
Mission Home—J. C. Greene, Fleetwood	5	15		20		10	22	72	50		38	25	
Mountain View													
New River—J. H. Pugh, Crumpler		16	11	17	22		12		47				
Oak Hill—Reeves Stuart, Jefferson			22	13	19		16	70	32				
Obids—Arthur Huddler, Obids								70	40		48	35	2
Old Fields—W. M. Blackburn, Brownwood									40		33	28	2
Orione—Jesse Bare, Jefferson	2	10	8	10	16	18	12	76					
Peak Valley—Roy Eggers, Creston									30		25	20	2
Phoenix—J. C. Eller, Bina	4	7	10	12	10	15	49	107	50	6	37	20	2
Pilot Mountain—T. J. McGuire, Todd		18		11	7		12	48	58				
Pleasant Branch	7		4				21	32					
Pleasant Hill													
Pleasant Home—J. C. Blevins, Grassy Creek		17	12		12		19	60					
Pleasant Valley—J. C. Jones, Grassy Creek		12		8	6		12	38	28		27	20	2
Sabbath Home—James Welch, Edison		10	8		8		15	44	46		44	31	2
Smethport													
Sturgills													
Tuckerdale—M. D. Heart, Tuckerdale			22	11	16			70					
Valley Home—W. T. Jones, Toliver	18			15	20		22	80	50				
Warrensville—John M. Burkett, Warrensville	4	4	6	10	8	15	29	76	35		39	29	2
W. Jefferson—J. C. Goodman, W. Jefferson	16	19	22	47	27	48	53	232	126		100	60	
Welcome Home—H. T. Goodman, Jefferson		19	15	12	23		49	118	45		35	30	2
TOTAL	77	289	313	397	306	287	687	2317	1347	18	819	654	

Extension Department—Sabbath Home, 5; Teachers Holding Diplomas, 1.

TABLE V. CHURCH PROPERTY OF ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, YEAR ENDING IN AUGUST 1933

CHURCHES, CHURCH CLERKS AND POST OFFICES	Does Your Church Own Its House of Worship?	When Was It Built?	Materials Used	Persons Seated	Number Rooms	Dept. Assembly Rooms	No. Separate Class Rooms	Value of Church House and Grounds	Value of Pastor's Home	Total Value All Church Property	Indebtedness on All Church Property	Insurance Carried
Apple Grove												
Bald Mountain—Gaynell Houck, W. Jefferson	Yes	1910	Wood	300	1			$ 1300	$	$ 1300	$	
Baptist Home												
Beaver Creek—Hayden Goodman, W. Jefferson	Yes	1900	Wood	400	1			6		600		
Bethel—R. G. Phillips, Oval	Yes	1922	Wood	300	1			3000		3000		
Big Flatts—Miss Mary Jordon, Fleetwood	Yes	1908	Wood	200	1			1500		1500		
Big Laurel—Mattie Rupard, Hemlock	Yes	1903	Wood	200	1			1350		1350		
Bristol—Louise Proctor, Jefferson	Yes	1928	Wood	150	1			800		800		
Buffalo—Mrs. Elizabeth Graybeal, Smethport	Yes	1868	Wood	250	1			1000		1000		
Chestnut Hill—Francis M. Jones, Crumpler	Yes	1931	Wood	300	1			1500		1500		
Clifton—D. F. Shoemake, Warrensville	Yes	1903	Wood	250	1			1000		1000		
Friendship—Clifford Marsh, Jefferson	Yes	1909	Wood	300	1			1600		1600		
Glendale—Ellen Bowlin, Glendale Springs	Yes	1915	Wood	200	1			1500		1500		
Grassy Creek—Mrs. F. C. Nye, Grassy Creek	Yes	1927	Wood	300	1			3000		3000		
Healing Springs—Mrs. L. W. Baker, Crumpler	Yes	1888	Wood	300	3	4	2	2500		2700		

Landmark—T. A. Jones, Grassy Creek	Yes	1909	Wood	300	3	3	3	3000		3000		
Laurel Knob—G. S. Holman, Todd	Yes	1910	Wood	200	1			300		300		
Liberty Grove—J. P. Howell, Fleetwood	Yes	1916	Wood	300	1			1200		1350		
Liberty Hill—J. H. Wagoner, Nathan's Creek	Yes	1910	Wood	300	1			482		482		
Little Helton—Zola B. Jones, Helton	Yes	1925	Wood	300	1			2000		2000		
Long Branch—J. G. Welch, Lansing	Yes	1920	Wood	300	1			1400		1400		
Mission Home—J. H. Gentry, W. Jefferson	Yes	1900	Wood	300	1			1600		1600		
Mountain View												
New River—W. D. Brown, Weavers Ford	Yes		Wood	400	1			1500		1500		
Oak Hill—Reeves Stuart, Jefferson	Yes	1927	Wood	300	1			2500		2500		
Obids—Mrs. Nettie McNeill, Obids	Yes	1903	Wood	400	1			2000		2000		
Old Fields—W. M. Blackburn, Brownwood	Yes	1926	Wood	400	1			4000		4000		
Orion—J. F. Dillard, Jefferson	Yes	1911	Wood	300	1	4		2500		2500		
Peak Valley—Roy Eggers, Creston	Yes	1902	Wood	500	1			700		700		
Phoenix—Mrs. F. L. Waddell, Bina	Yes	1912	Wood	300	2		4	3000		3000		
Pilot Mountain—T. D. Watson, Laxon	Yes	1899	Wood	200	1			500		500		
Pleasant Branch—Blair Young, Grassy Creek	Yes	1931	Wood	175	1			500		500		
Pleasant Hill												
Pleasant Home—Mrs. T. C. Handy, Grassy Creek	Yes	1898	Wood	200	1			2000		2000		
Pleasant Valley—Mrs. Myrtle Blevins, G. Creek	Yes	1926	Wood	150	1			1500		1500		
Sabbath Home—Mrs. C. L. Goss, Lansing	Yes	1932	Wood	200	1			1500		1500		
Smethport—P. S. Bumgardner, Smethport	Yes	1925	Wood	250	1			500		500	20	
Sturgills—C. B. Sturgill, Sturgills	Yes	1933	Wood	250	1			500		500		
Tuckerdale—G. C. Jones, Tuckerdale	Yes	1916	Wood	300	1			1500		1500		
Valley Home—Millard Roark, Toliver	Yes	1916	Wood	300	1			1000		1000		
Warrensville—John M. Burket, Warrensville	Yes	1929	Wood	200	1			1000		1000		
W. Jefferson—B. F. Cook, W. Jefferson	Yes	1929	Brick	700	10		8	15700	2300	18000	425	5000
Welcome Home—C. A. Goodman, Jefferson	Yes	1936	Wood	300	1		8	2000		2000	100	
TOTAL								$74232		$76882	$525	$5000

TABLE VI. GIFTS FOR LOCAL CHURCH WORK OF ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, AUGUST 1933

CHURCHES, REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES	Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help and Supplies	Buildings and Repairs	Church Debt and Interest	Incidentals	Literature For S. S. B. Y. P. U. & W. M. S.	Help Given to Local Poor	For Printing the Minutes and Clerk	Other Objects	Total for Local Purposes Given by All
Apple Grove											
Bald Mountain—W. L. Houck, W. Jefferson	96.18		28.00				16.00		1.75	10.00	150.18
Baptist Home											
Beaver Crk.—Hayden Goodman, W. Jefferson	60.59						3.68		1.50	1.15	66.92
Bethel—R. G. Phillips, Oval	100.10		25.00	13.00		4.00	6.86	5.00	1.75	2.00	157.61
Big Flatts—P. H. Haire, Fleetwood	113.60	4.60		34.50			17.10	9.07	1.50		180.84
Big Laurel—Earl M. Roten, Hemlock	25.00	10.00						1.00	.50		36.50
Bristol—Louise Proctor, Jefferson	40.00						3.00		1.50		44.50
Buffalo—Elizabeth Graybeal, Smethport	68.00		44.00	84.00			9.00		2.00		207 00
Chestnut Hill—Francis M. Jones, Crumpler	136.35					2.00	7.00		1.50	2.80	149.65
Clifton—D. F. Shoemake, Warrensville	12.00								2.00		14.00
Friendship—T. K. Luther, Jefferson	93.00		42 80	35.00		2.00	14.39		5.43		202.12
Glendale—Mrs. J. E. Whitley, Glendale Sprs.	24.58		38.04	73.60		1.87		8.00	1.50		147.59
Grassy Creek—Mrs. F. C. Nye, Grassy Crk.	94.01			1.30		6.00	6.04		3.00		110.35
Healing Sprs.—Mrs. L. W. Baker, Crumpler	116.34		38.00	17.80		2.25	13.86	7.45	4.00	34.95	250.74

Landmark—T. A. Jones, Grassy Creek	74.00		39.93	12.00		15.00	8.67		5.00		154.60
Laurel Knob—Swanson Edwards, Todd	81.37		10.00			10.00	8.00		1.00		114.87
Liberty Grove—C. E. Howell, Todd	130.07					5.50	9.50	9.15	1.65		154.42
Liberty Hill—J. H. Wagoner, Nathan's Creek	29.55		12.00	7.84					1.50		50.89
Little Helton—Zola B. Jones, Helton	34.25		16.15			3.47	7.76		3.55		64.18
Long Branch—Carl Sexton, Lansing	60.11		20.00			10.00	6.00		3.00		99.11
Mission Home—J. H. Gentry, W. Jefferson	94.15		15.68	2.50		2.40	12.00	6.68	1.50	4.65	139.57
Mountain View											
New River—W. D. Brown, Weavers Ford	104.41		25.27	130.80		1.00	15.48	3.60	3.00		283.56
Oak Hill—Mrs. Bell Kilby, Bina	23.90						4.10		1.50		29.50
Obids—Haggie Persons, Obids	60.00	9.00	21.00			4.00	12.00	3.00	1.00	4.00	114.00
Old Fields—W. M. Blackburn, Broownwood	169.00		58.00			1.50	20.78		2.00		231.78
Orion—Jones Dillard, Jefferson	95.00	20.00	7.40	50.00		2.50	5.00	10.00		5.20	197.10
Peak Valley—Roy Eggers, Creston	26.50								1.00		27.50
Phoenix—Mrs. F. L. Waddell, Bina	162.50	14.00	43.00			30.00	25.00	100.00	5.00	20.00	399.50
Pilot Mountain—Glenn Miller, Laxon	59.25		32.00			2.00	5.64		1.50		100.39
Pleasant Branch—Blair Young, Grassy Crk.	53.50			20.00					1.00		74.50
Pleasant Hill											
Pleasant Home—Tena Deboard, Grassy Crk.	45.00					2.80	11.00		3.00		62.80
Pleasant Valley, Mrs. Myrtle Blevins, G. C.	25.59						3 68		2.00		31.27
Sabbath Home—Mrs. C. L. Goss, Lansing	50.00						9.00		2 00		61.00
Smethport—P. S. Bumgardner, Smethport	11.00			6 00	31				1.00		49.00
Sturgills—C. B. Sturgill, Sturgills	20.25		30.00	35.00		1.20	7.06		1.50		115.81
Tuckerdale—W. H. Darnell, Tuckerdale	33.80		30.50					2.00	2 28		78.58
Valley Home—Millard Roark, Toliver	100.00		32.50			10.00	14 00	10.00	3.10		170.50
Warrensville—J. M. Burkett, Warrensville	125.00		42 00			31.15	14 79	.50	1.90		220 71
West Jefferson—B. F. Cook, West Jefferson	1188.64		87.00	400.00	15	175.00	66.55		3.50		1935 69
Welcome Home—C. A. Goodman, Jefferson	60.00				100		14 00	20.00	2 25		196 25
TOTAL	3896.49	57.60	729.82	923.34	146	325.64	376.94	195.46	82.66	84.75	7168.12

TABLE VII. GIFTS FOR MISSIONS, EDUCATION AND ALL BENEVOLENCES, AUGUST 1938

CHURCHES, REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES	Total to Co-operative Program	Special to Associational Missions	Special to State Missions	Special to Home Missions	Special to Foreign Missions	Special to Orphanage	Special to Hospitals	Special to Old Ministers' Relief	Other Special Gifts	Total Given for Missions and Benevolences by All	Grand Total for All Purposes
Apple Grove											
Bald Mountain—W. L. Houck, W. Jefferson	7.68					4.55	6.95		2.65	21.83	172.01
Baptist Home											
Beaver Creek—Hayden Goodman, W. Jefferson	16.51	1.50				1.15				19.16	83.43
Bethel—R. G. Phillips, Oval						4.57	10.00			14.57	172.48
Big Flatts—P. H. Haire, Fleetwood	12.36		4.05	2.10	2.60	40.78	48.52		9.80	120.21	301.05
Big Laurel—Earl M. Roten, Hemlock						3.30	3.30			6.60	42.60
Bristol—Louise Proctor, Jefferson						7.50	5.00			12.50	57.00
Buffalo—Elizabeth Graybeal, Smethport	11.00					6.90	1.50			19.40	226.40
Chestnut—Francis M. Jones, Crumpler	10.00						17.00			27.00	176.65
Clifton—D. F. Shoemake, Warrensville	3.00					1.00	2.00			6.00	20.00
Friendship—T. K. Luther, Jefferson						24.45	11.00			35.45	237.57
Glendale—Mrs. J. E. Whitley, Glendale Sprs.						14.50	5.00			19.50	167.09
Grassy Creek—Mrs. F. C. Nye, Grassy Creek	30.00					3.50	5.78			39.28	149.63
Healing Springs—Mrs. L. W. Baker, Crumpler	1.00					78.95	5.81			85.26	336.00

Landmark—T. A. Jones, Grassy Creek						72.00	8.50			80.50	235.10
Laurel Knob—Swanson Edwards, Todd	12.52									12.52	127.39
Liberty Grove—C. E. Howell, Todd	20.00					28.00	2.00			50.00	205.42
Liberty Hill—J. H. Wagoner, Nathan's Creek											50.89
Little Helton—Zola B. Jones, Helton							7.00			7.00	67.63
Long Branch—Carl Sexton, Lansing	7.00						102.98			109.98	208.69
Mission Home—J. H. Gentry, W. Jefferson		7.00			23.00	44.58	4.80		4.00	83.38	222.95
Mountain View											
New River—W. D. Brown, Weavers Ford	18.36					45.12	1.24			64.72	348.28
Oak Hill—Mrs. Bell Kilby, Bina											28.00
Obids—Haggie Parsons, Obids						55.00	10.00		3.00	68.00	182.00
Old Fields—W. M. Blackburn, Brownwood	17.70			4.00		50.00	9.50			81.20	392.95
Orion—Jones Dillard, Jefferson											197.10
Peak Valley—Roy Eggers, Creston											35.00
Phoenix—Mrs. F. L. Waddell, Bina	12.00					120.04	21.51	19.00		172.55	572 05
Pilot Mountain—Glen Miller, Laxon	10.00					42.00	5.00			57.00	157.39
Pleasant Branch—Blair Young, Grassy Creek							8.00			8.00	83.50
Pleasant Hill											
Pleasant Home—Tena Debord, Grassy Creek											
Pleasant Valley—Mrs. Myrtle Blevins, G. C.							3.00			3 00	34.27
Sabbath Home—Mrs. C. L. Goss, Lansing							25.07		5.50	30.57	80.57
Smethport—P. S. Bumgardner, Smethport											38.00
Sturgills—C. B. Sturgill, Sturgill											115.81
Tuckerdale—W. H. Darnell, Tuckerdale						12.46	3 11			15.57	94.15
Valley Home—Millard Roark, Toliver		12.00					8.22			20.22	189.72
Warrensville—J. M. Burkett, Warrensville				4.00		18.40	10 00		6.25	38.65	259 35
W. Jefferson—B. F. Cook, W. Jefferson	97.85			5.00	21.50	129.05	17.27			270.67	2206.36
Welcome Home—C. A. Goodman, Jefferson						33.00				33.00	229.25
TOTAL	286.98	20.50	4.05	15.10	47.10	840.80	369.06	19.00	31.20	1633.29	8880.53

TABLE III. Baptist Training Union and Men's Brotherhood

CHURCH	No. of B. A. U.'s	No. Senior B. Y. P. U.'s	Number of Intermediate B. Y. P. U.'s	Seniors Enrolled	Intermediates Enrolled	Total Enrolled	Story Hours	Total Number Daily Bible Readers	No. Taking Study Course	Total Systematic Givers in All Unions
Bald Mountain			1		31	31		10	7	
Bethel										
Big Flatts		1		16		16		4	9	16
Long Branch	1	1				27		2		
Obids	1	1		14		40	12			
Old Fields	1		1		16	46	10			
Phoenix		1				44	11			
Pleasant Home								35		
Sabbath Home	1					10				
Warrensville		1				40	10			
West Jefferson		1	1	18	20	38	12	2		
Total				48	67	292	55	53	16	16

Students in college from Bald Mountain, 2.

TABLE IV. W. M. U. ORGANIZATIONS AND GIFTS

CHURCHES, PRESIDENTS OF W. M. S. AND POST OFFICES	No. of W.M.S.'s	W.M.S. Members	Total Members	Contributions (Local Work)	Contributions (Missions) W.M.U.	Grand Total All Purposes
Big Flatts—Mrs. F. L. Houck, Fl'tw.	1	6	21	15.43	16.91	32.34
L'b'ty G.—Mrs. Maud Goodman, F'w.	1	15	15	3.45	2.38	5.73
Old F.—Ferrie Hartzog, Idlewild	1	16	16	28.10	11.85	39.95
Phoenix—Mrs. R. D. Mullis, Bina	1	11	18		110.50	110.50
Pleasant H.—Mrs. Paul Blevins, G. C.	1	15	15	10.35		10.35
Warrensville—Mrs. A. E. Reed, W'v.	1	12	12	.80	10.75	11.55
W. Jeff'son—Mrs. George Oliver W. J.	1	21	48	190 77	54 69	245.46
TOTAL	96	145	148.90	207.08	455.88	

No. of Y. W. A.'s—West Jefferson, 1. No. of G. A.'s—Big Flatts, 1; Phoenix, 1; West Jefferson, 1. Total W. M. U. Organizations—Big Flatts, 2; Phoenix, 2; West Jefferson, 3. Y. W. A.'s Members—West Jefferson, 15. G. A.'s Members—Big Flatts, 15; Phoenix, 7; West Jefferson, 12; Total, 34. Total Enrolled in Mission Study Course—Liberty Grove, 15.

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STANDING COMMITTEES FOR 1940

State Missions ----------R. F. Johnston, Idlewild, N. C.
Home Missions ----------Rev. A. C. Ashley, Warrensville, N. C.
Foreign Missions ----------L. J. South, Smethport, N. C.
Sunday Schools———Rev. Rex R. Campbell, W. Jefferson, N. C.
Daily V'tion Bible Schools--Miss Gertrude Graybeal, Fig, N. C.
Biblical Recorder ----Mrs. B. E. Reeves, West Jefferson, N. C.
Hospital ----------Dewey Cox, Grassy Creek, N. C.
Orphanage ----------Mrs. Mamie Tucker, Tuckerdale, N. C
Christian Education ------Prof. F. C. Nye, Grassy Creek, N. C.
Pastoral Support----------Ira T. Johnston, Jefferson, N. C.
Aged Ministers' Relief-----Prof. J. F. Phipps, Crumpler, N. C.
Temperance ----------W. L. Houck, West Jefferson, N. C.
Obituaries --------Fitzhugh Barker, Lansing, N. C. and Mrs. F. L. Waddell, Bina, N. C.
B. T. U. ----------Darius Severt, West Jefferson, N. C.
W. M. U. ----------Mrs. Ralph Parsons, West Jefferson, N. C.
Laymen's Work ----------David Harless, West Jefferson, N. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS OF ASHE ASSOCIATION

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Blackburn, Wiley ---------- Jefferson, N. C.
Blevins, E. ---------- Grassy Creek, N. C.
Blevins, J. C. ---------- Grassy Creek, N. C.
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Campbell, R. R. ---------- West Jefferson, N. C.
Campbell, J. A. ---------- Jefferson, N. C.
Cockerham, T. J. ---------- Crumpler, N. C.
Cope, C. M. ---------- W. Jefferson, N. C.
Dolinger, R. L. ---------- Sturgills, N. C.
Denney, W. E. ---------- Grassy Creek, N. C.
Denney, G. L. ---------- Grassy Creek, N. C.
Denney. Jess ---------- Apple Grove, N. C.
Eller, E. A. ---------- Grassy Creek, N. C.
Eggers, Blain ---------- Creston, N. C.
Farmer, T. A. ---------- Lansing, N. C.
Goodman. C. F. ---------- West Jefferson, N. C.
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Hart, M. D. ---------- Tuckerdale, N. C.
Hurley, W. L. ---------- Crumpler, N. C.
Horn, Paul ---------- Creston, N. C.
Keller, L. N. ---------- Fleetwood, N. C.
Lewis, Harvey ---------- Ashland, N. C.
Mullis, W. O. ---------- Jefferson, N. C.
Neaves, J. M. ---------- Crumpler, N. C.
Osborne, Ray ---------- Fig, N. C.
Powers, Arthur ---------- Brandon, N. C.
Powers, Elmer ---------- Tuckerdale, N. C.
Parsons, C. C. ---------- Grassy Creek, N. C.
Phillips, Harry ---------- Nettle Knob, N. C.
Phillips, Eugene, ---------- Toliver, N. C.
Reed, Green ---------- Toliver, N. C.
Sturgill ---------- Elkton, Md.
Sexton, E. Z. ---------- Lansing, N. C.
Salmons, Thomas ---------- Smethport, N. C.
Shepherd. D. L. ---------- Smethport, N. C.
Trivett, G. L. ---------- Alvarado, Va.
Trivett, J. S. ---------- Fleetwood, N. C.
Testerman, Luther ---------- Amy, N. C.
Thomas, W. R. ---------- Winston-Salem, N. C.
Vannoy, Gaither ---------- Toliver, N. C.
Whittington, W. T. ---------- West Jefferson, N. C.
Winkler, H. M. ---------- Todd, N. C.
Waddell, Lee ---------- Grassy Creek. N. C.
Smith, Henry ---------- Stony Fork, N. C.

Miller, Lee ---------- Purlear, N. C.
Phillips, S. E. ---------- Idlewild, N. C.
Parsons, J. M. ---------- Walsh, N. C.

LIST OF MESSENGERS
ASHE ASSOCIATION

Apple Grove——H. A. Miller, Mrs. B. B. Farmer, Mrs. C. Miller
Bald Mountain——W. L. Houck, Byard Houck, William Hopkins
Beaver Creek——W. F. Goodman, Hayden Goodman, Mrs. L. L. Pierce
Bethel——J. D. Baker, C. W. Phillips, L. C. Winebarger
Big Flatts——H. V. Walker, Quincy Walker, Russell Phillips
Big Laurel——Ambros Roten, Mrs. Mattie Rupard, Mrs. Jeston Roten
Bristol——Chas. Miller, W. A. Johnson, Louise Proctor
Buffalo——W. A. Campbell, Chas. Hodge, Cicero Harless
Blue Ridge ---------- R. F. Johnston, W. T. Beshears
Clifton ---------- C. S. Eastridge, N. Richardson, K. L. Eller
Chestnut Hill——Frances Jones, Arvil Blevins, Everette Moore
Friendship——J. E. Witherspoon, R. F. Marsh, David Burkett
Glendale——Mrs. Paul Miller, Ellen Bowlin, Mrs. J. E. Whitely
Grassy Creek——Dewey Cox, Straley Livesay, Wm. Halsey
Healing Springs, Jim Hudler, B. H. Shepherd, Mrs. W. L. Baker
Landmark——G. H. Pugh, Barnie Stuart, Lee Massey
Laurel Knob——Reece Grubb, Chas Wilcox, Tom Goodman, Jr.
Liberty Grove——C. E. Howell, Ralph Tomlinson, M. H. Goodman
Liberty Hill——J. H. Wagoner, H. L. Goodman, Mrs. T. E. Dixon
Little Helton——N. L. Cooper, Vincent McClure, Zola B. Jones
Long Branch——J. G. Welch, Joe Poe, Z. R. Barr
Mission Home——J. C. Green, H. C. Green, J. R. Kimberlin
Mountain View, Dave Calhoun, Raymond Calhoun, Paul Coldiron
New River ---------- Paul Phipps, Howard Brown, R. D. Brown
Oak Hill——G. W. Blevins, F. H. Shatley, Reeves Stuart
Obids——Haggie Parsons, Jones Parsons, Mrs. Ella Mae Faw
Old Fields——J. E. Cheek, Denver Baker, Cecil Yates
Orion——Mrs. Clyde Dillard, E. M. Jenkins, W. M. Dillard
Pilot Mountain ——Minnie Phillips, Olen Grogan, F. D. Watson
Peak Valley——Joe Flannery, Tom Munday, Roby Roark
Phoenix——J. W. Barr, E. C. Eller, F. L. Waddell
Pleasant Branch——J. V. Reedy, W. E. Reedy, Mrs. W. E. Reedy
Pleasant Home——Ed Debord, Willie Thompson, John Helsey
Pleasant Valley——Blain Phipps, Fonzie Brinegar, Leslie Jones
Rock Creek——Paul Ham, Blain Eggers, S. S. Graybeal
Sabbath Home——John Goss, Mrs. Mira Price, Mrs. C. L. Goss
Smethport——L. J. South, Walter Doty, Earnest Bumgarner
Sturgills——J. H. Blevins, Chas. Sizemore, Oscar Blevins
Three Fork——Eugene Lewis, Chas Lewis, Glenn McCoy
Tuckerdale——Mrs. Nannie Tucker, Elmer Powers, M. D. Hart
Valley Home——W. T. A. Jones, Finley Miller, Henry Bledsoe
Warrensville——John Burkett, Anse Johnson, Arthur Childers
West Jefferson——Ballard Harless, Coleman Payne, D. C. Severt
Welcome Home——Richard Kelly, Fred Marsh, Carl Goodman

CONSTITUTION

Article 1. This body shall be called the Ashe Association.

OBJECTS

Article 2. The object of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the gospel in our bounds, and in all the world, and in this work the Association will co-operate with the Baptist State Convention.

Article 3. The membership of this body shall be all the ordained ministers of the churches of the Association, and three delegates from each church. A letter certifying their appointment and giving statistics of the membership and work of the church shall be sent to the Clerk at least fifteen days before the opening of the session.

ORGANIZATION

Article 4. At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a Moderator and Clerk and Treasurer. This election shall take place hereafter at the sitting of the association instead of at the close of the session, and those elected shall serve through the next session.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Article 5. The Moderator shall preside at all meetings, preserve order, appoint committees, and perform such duties as are required of presiding officers.

Article 6. The Clerk shall keep a correct record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing and distribution to the churches the proceedings of the body.

Article 7. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent to the Association, to pay them out as the Association may direct, and make a report at each annual session.

TIME AND PLACE

Article 8. The Association shall hold an annual meeting at such time and place as may be agreed upon.

APPOINTMENTS

Article 9. At each annual meeting there shall be appointed an executive committee of five brethren who shall look after the destitution in the bounds of this Association, and co-operate with the State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention, making to the next session a report of the work done and all the general State Mission work.

Article 10. Association shall convene annually on the last Friday in August. At each annual session there shall be appointed committees to make reports to the ensuing session, on the following subjects, to-wit: State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Pastoral Support, Ministerial Education, Baptist Orphanage, Biblical Recorder, Temperance, Digest Church Letter, Finance, Place and Preacher for next Association, and Baptist Hospital.

ORDER OF RELIGIOUS EXERCISES

Article 11. Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

Article 12. In addition to the introductory sermon the committee on religious exercises shall arrange at least one other sermon each day the Association is in session and all business shall be suspended while the sermon is being delivered; but no sermon shall be scheduled while the Association is engaged in a business session.

PREROGATIVES

Article 13. The Association will not retain in permanent fellowship any church that retains in its fellowship any member who is disorderly in doctrine or practice, or who makes, sells, or in any way deals in ardent spirits as a beverage.

CONSTITUTION—HOW AMENDED

Article 14. This constitution may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual session.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES

1st. We believe in one true and living God, and that there are three persons in the God-head, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, and these three are one.

2nd. We believe that the Bible, the New Testament, is the Word of God and the only rule of faith and practice.

3rd. We believe in the impotency of man and the sovereignty of God.

4th. We believe that the salvation is by Grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5th. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ to be practiced only by believers in their spiritual order.

6th. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by qualified administrators, and that those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and doctrine, should take the Lord's Supper.

7th. We believe in the final perseverance of the saints in grace to glory.

8th. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and general judgment.

9th. We believe that the existence of the righteous and the wicked will both be of eternal duration, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

RULES OF ORDER

1. Every session shall be opened and closed by prayer.
2. When the Moderator calls the house to order, every member shall at once take his seat.
3. When a member wishes to speak he shall rise and address the Moderator, and not proceed until he is recognized.
4. No member shall speak more than twice on any subject except by permission of the body.
5. No member shall leave the body during the session without permission of the Moderator.
6. It shall be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold private conversation while any person is speaking.

PROGRAM OF THE ASHE ASSOCIATION
1940 SESSION

Friday Morning, Aug., 1940

9:45 Devotional _____Rev. R. C. Ashley, Bina, N. C.
10:00 Sermon __Rev. W. T. Whittington, W. Jefferson, N. C.
10:30 Moderator's Period:
(a) Election of officers for next session.
(b) Reception of churches and visitors.
(c) Miscellaneous reports.
(d) Appointment of committees.
11:00 Report on Periodicals and Reading Matter.
11:20 Report on Orphanage.
12:00 Adjournment for lunch.

Friday Afternoon

1:00 Report on Cooperative Program—(a) Hospital, (b) State Missions, (c) Home Missions, (d) Foreign Missions.
2:00 Sermon____Rev. W. E. Denny, Grassy Creek, N. C.
2:30 Miscellaneous:
(a) Additional reports from churches and visitors.
(b) Announcement of homes for visitors and messengers.
3:00 Adjournment.

Saturday Morning

9:30 Devotional Rev. G. C. Burkett, Jefferson, N. C.
9:45 Reports on Training Activities:
(a) Sunday School.
(b) Baptist Training Union.
(c) Laymen's Work.
(c) Women's Missionary Union.
(c) Christian Schools
10:45 Report on Temperance.
10:00 Sermon———Rev. J. O. Spencer, Grassy Creek, N. C.
11:35 Miscellaneous.
12:00 Adjournment for lunch.

Saturday Afternoon

1:00 Report on Ministerial Support—(a) Pastors' salaries, (b) Aged Ministers' Relief.
1:30 Discussion of plans for ensuing year—(a) Pastors, (b) Deacons, (c) S. S. Superintendents, (d) Training Activities.
2:30 Reports of Committees—(a) Resolutions, (b) Place and Preacher, (c) Finance.
3:00 Sermon_____Rev. S. S. Graybeal, Creston, N. C.

Sunday Morning

10:30 Devotional.
11:30 Sermon Rev. Jess Shoemaker, Grassy Creek, N. C.
12:00 Miscellaneous and Adjournment.

Program

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

1939 SESSION

Friday Morning, August 25, 1939

The 53rd. Annual Session of the Ashe Missionary Baptist Association met with Friendship Baptist Church.

9:45 Devotional Exercises: Rev. T. A. Farmer.

Introductory Sermon was preached by Rev. W. E. Denney. Text Nehemiah 6:3.

Moderator's Period:

(a) Election of officers for next Session—Prof. J. C. Goodman was re-elected Moderator. H. A. Eller re-elected vice-president. F. L. Barker re-elected Clerk-Treasurer.

(b) Call for new churches, 3 responded—Rock Creek, Three Fork, Blue Ridge.

(c) Report from churches. 44 present by letter or Messenger.

(d) Visitors—The following were seated with the body: John Arch McMillan, Baptist Orphanage; Smith Hagaman, Baptist Hospital; M. A. Adams, Sandy Run Ass'n.; M. A. Huggins, Jas. M. Hayes, Meredith College; Rev. Finley Watts, Brushy Mountain Association.

A call for reports from churches on program during the year. A brief report was given by Rev. W. T. Whittington.

Appointment of Committees.

(a) Committee on Resolutions—B. H. Duncan, I. T. Johnston and W. E. Denney.

Committee on Finance—E. C. Eller, Everette Lewis and S. S. Graybeal.

(c) To nominate Executive Committee—H. M. Winkler, John M. Burkett and W. A. Campbell.

The Clerk was authorized to receive obituaries and have them printed in Minutes. (Associate Clerk Mrs. F. L. Waddell). Report on Orphanage read and discussed by John Arch McMillan.

Adjournment for Lunch. Prayer by M. A. Adams.

Friday Afternoon Session

Report on Cooperative program: (a) Hospital (b) State Missions. (c) Home Missions. (d) Foreign Missions. Read and discussed by the following: Hospital, Smith Hagaman; State, Home and Foreign Mission, M. A. Huggins; Sermon, Rev. T. A. Farmer.

Announcements of homes for Mesengers and Visitors.

Adjournment.

Saturday Morning, August 26, 1939

Devotional Exercise led by Rev. Donally Hart.

Report on Training Activities—Sunday School, R. R. Camp-

bell. Discussion by Rev. W. T. Whittington, E. C. Eller, Rev. W. E. Denny, D. C. Severt.
Report on B. T. U. Discussion by Rev. Donally Hart, Miss Gertrude Graybeal.
Report on W. M. U.—Mrs. W. M. Blackburn.
Discussion by Rev. W. T. Whittington.
Report on Laymen's Work by Prof F. C. Nye.
Discussion by Ira. T. Johnston.
Address "Christian Education" by Rev. James M. Hayes.
Report on Temperance—H. M. Winkler.
Discussion by Brother Hayes, Revs. W. T. Whittington and M. A. Adams.
Adjournment for lunch.

Saturday Afternoon, August 26, 1939

Sermon by Rev. C. W. Sexton.
Ministerial Support—Ira T. Johnston.
Discussion by Rev. W. E. Denney, J. O. Spencer, Charles Howell.

RESOLUTIONS
ASHE ASSOCIATION 1939

Be it resolved by the Ashe Association that the following aims for the year 1939-40 receive the attention and the prayerful interest of our pastors and their people:

1. A revival meeting in every church.
2. A Sunday School in every church.
3. A Daily Vacation Bible School in every church.
4. An offering in every Sunday school on the 1st Sunday in each month and at Thanksgiving for the Orphanage.
5. A Mother's Day offering in every church for the Hospital.
6. A financial program in every church, which includes the enlistment of all the members, increased support of the pastor, and support of the Co-operative Program.

Be it further resolved that the thanks of this body be extended in full measure to the Pastor and members of Friendship Church and the people of the community for their gracious hospitality and Christian fellowship.

Respectfully submitted.
B. H. DUNCAN
W. E. DENNEY
IRA T. JOHNSTON, Committee.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS

The Bibical Recorder, the organ of the Baptist State Convention and the Baptist people everywhere it is circulated, was founded in 1833 by Thomas Meredith—which makes this periodical 106 years old.

This paper was published monthly and was called "The Interpreter"; but some time later the name was changed to the Biblical Recorder, which was regarded as a more appropriate name for a publication of this kind.

It has stood the test of all these one hundred and six years

and it is today one of the brightest luminaries in Baptist literature.

We find the subscriptions to the Biblical Recorder and our mission magazines growing larger every year which is most encouraging, as many if not all of the problems that confront us, as a denomination, will be solved when all of our homes are reached by these periodicals.

The price of the Biblical Recorder in single subscriptions is $2.00 per year; but if 10% of the members will join in clubs it will cost only $1.50 per year—which is quite a saving.

We urge that the Association make a drive for subscribers which will add much to the subscription list and be of lasting value to the readers of the paper.

Mrs. B. E. Reeves,
Chairman of Committee.

West Jefferson, N. C.
August, 1939

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Our Baptist colleges and institutions put their chief emphasis on the religious and spiritual development of young men and women. This is not asserting that this mental and physical welfare of the students is neglected.

Our Baptist colleges are making it possible for many of our boys and girls of limited financial means to obtain an education. In one of our Baptist colleges, that of Mars Hill, last year one third or more of the students worked on the campus and thus earned the greater part of their expenses.

Let us therefore, as churches of the Ashe Association give these schools our hearty support and cooperation that their valuable influence may be increased in preparing more of our boys and girls for the various phases of the Christian program of leadership and evangelism.

Respectfully submitted,
Swanson Edwards.

Information on Vacation Bible School, write Miss Gertrude Graybeal, Creston, N. C.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLACE AND PREACHER FOR NEXT ASSOCIATION

Your committee recommends that the next meeting of the Association be held at Phoenix Baptist Church, Bina, N. C., and that Rev. W. T. Whittington preach the introductory sermon.

Alternate Rev. H. M. Winkler.

IRA T. JOHNSTON, Chairman
E. C. ELLER,
W. T. HARLESS,
G. S. HOLMAN,
BERT DIXON, Committee.

B. T. U. REPORT

The interest in Training Union work is gradually increasing in our churches. The need of training ourselves for better

Christian workers and better church members is being realized as never before among our people.

Therefore, let it be resolved that wherever possible, to put on such training, so as to better serve our Lord and Master.

Respectfully submitted,
D. C. SEVERT

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

Paul told Timothy to teach. All our preaching should have some teaching in it. It is just as necessary to teach today as it was when Paul told Timothy to teach. The major part of our teaching centers in our Sunday School. In the year 1937-38 we had a membership of 3572 in the Ashe Association. We had enrolled in our Sunday Schools 2317 persons, with an average attendance of 1347 in Sunday School each Sunday morning to study God's word. We find it took fifteen persons to win one soul to Christ in this same period.

After carefully considering these facts we invited Mr. L. L. Morgan, our State Sunday School secretary, to bring a group of special workers into our Association for a week of special Sunday School emphasis. In the eighteen churches we were able to reach we found 3,495 possibilities for Baptist Sunday School's. At the rate we are going now we have not reached half of our possibilities for Church membership and about one third of our possibilities for Sunday School work.

Respectfully submitted,
R. R. CAMPBELL

REPORT ON HOSPITALS

The Baptist Hospital was established for the purpose of providing treatment for the entire state, especially those who are not able to pay. It received it's first patient May 28, 1923, more than fifteen years ago.

If we are true to Christ, we will help in a large way to relieve human suffering. The Hospital is doing its best to relieve sick and suffering humanity. Are we as Missionary Baptists doing our best in helping support the Hospital?

The bodily healing of the sick occupied a large place in the ministry of Jesus. We could not be true to Christ whose representatives we are if we did not do something to relieve the sick of our country.

Will we as Christians and as a Baptist family, give more liberally of the material things the Lord has blessed us with, to help care for the ones that are less fortunate than we?

Respectfully submitted,
JAMES HARLESS

REPORT ON LAYMEN'S WORK

There are many phases of work which our laymen can do in the Kingdom Work.

We laymen can play an important part in our Sunday School work by having a well organized class. This furnishes opportunity to enlist every person in the community in church work.

The deacons and laymen can assist the pastor in visiting

the sick, looking after the poor and needy.

Some churches have a Brotherhood that has proven to be of great value to the church and pastor. These go out to other churches and assist them in their service. Certainly we need a revival among our laymen.

Respectfully submitted,
F. C. NYE

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

We know that the sin of intemperance is one of the great evils of the day and is growing worse. Therefore, the church is our only hope. Your committee recommends that this Association put in force Article 13, of our Constitution. Talk less and do more.

Respectfully submitted,
H. M. WINKLER

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

For a hundred years the objective of State Missions has been to win the people of North Carolina to Christ and to a fellowship with the churches. From a small beginning the State Mission's task now includes many activities.

The State Missions are aiding Pastoral Assistance, Teaching and Training, Church Building, students in college, hospitals, Orphan Home.

If State Missions fail, disaster will overtake us in our Foreign and Home Mission efforts.

Respectfully submitted,
REV. G. C. BURKETT

REPORT ON PASTORAL SUPPORT

Our Association throughout the years has been adopting reports advocating and emphasizing increased and adequate financial support of our pastors. And there have been substantial gains, as our minutes will disclose.

However, our accomplishments have fallen far short of our professed aspirations. We have been more generous with words than with cash. It does not cost us anything to talk and vote.

Perhaps the blame for no more progress having been made falls equally on the pastors and the people. Our churches need active, aggressive leadership in adopting a system of regular giving to the support of the Church and its causes. It is doubtful if any church will make a successful every-member canvass or attempt one unless the pastor favors it and takes the lead.

There are a few faithful members in almost every church who bear the weight of the financial problems of the church. There are others just as able who do nothing. This will always be true, perhaps, to some extent; but it ought not to be true.

Perhaps our first problem is to get our church members to attend the church services. Next, the pastors should be the real leaders in working out a system of church finances. And last, but by no means least, our Baptist people should practice what they profess to believe. "Faith without works is dead."

Respectfully submitted,
IRA T. JOHNSTON, Committee.

W. M. U. REPORT

The W. M. U. of the Ashe Association held its annual meeting with Phoenix Baptist church June 16, 1939. Topic: "The Challenge of a New Day".

Greetings and response. Devotional by Rev. W. E. Denney.

The following program was ably rendered: "The Challenge of Personal Service", Mrs. Walter Halsey. "The Challenge of Mission Study", Mrs. J. M. Prevette. Reports and roll call. Eleven churches answered. Address by Mrs. James.

For the coming year the officers are: Supt., Mrs. Ralph Parsons; Assistant Supt., Mrs. W. T. Whittington; Sec'y and Treasurer, Mrs. W. M. Blackburn; personal service chair, Mrs. Walter Halsey; Mission Study Chairman, Mrs. J. M. Prevette; Stewardship Chairman, Mrs. J. H. Miller. The Association adjourned to meet with Old Fields Church.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. W. M. BLACKBURN

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

The work of the Home Mission Board is to lift up Christ and make him known in our own land."To know Christ and to make Him known", is the motto of the Board. Not only among our own people but foreigners who come to America.

Many rulers of other countries come to America to get an education. If we hold up the "Living Christ" to them, these countries will be practically ruled by Christians.

Mission churches and Mission out-stations are rapidly advancing and increasing in number. Hosts of conversions and baptisms are reported.

We represent a living Christ. May we go forward guided by Him to greater achievement in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

VIVIAN PARSONS

TREASURER'S REPORT

Received from Finance Committee	$89.49
Printing Minutes	76.00
For Clerk	1.49
For Postage	12.00

OBITUARIES

Discussion by R. R. CAMPBELL, DAVID HURLESS, H. M. WINKLER, W. T. WHITTINGTON, AND I. T. JOHNSTON.

James Walter King was born Oct. 17, 1890 and died Jan. 11, 1939, making his stay on earth 48 years, 2 months and 24 days. Early in life he professed faith in Christ, joined Phoenix Baptist church and lived a Christian life until death. He was a devoted husband and father, and a kind and helpful neighbor. Our loss is great, but we expect to meet him "Over in the sun bright clime."

Victoria Vox Ashley was born June 16, 1871 and died August 14, 1939; age 68 years, 1 month and 28 days. She professed faith in Christ in early life, joined the Baptist church and lived a beautiful Christian life. She was a loving wife and mother. She was loved by old and young alike. We believe she is at home in the sky.

Joseph Oscal Eller was born Feb. 20, 1883 and died Aug. 8, 1939, age 56 years. 5 months, 16 days. He professed faith in Christ at the age of 14 years, and joined Phoenix church, where he remained a faithful member until death. Death casts a black shadow over us, but our hope in the resurrection pierces the darkest shadow with light.

America Jones Barker was born Oct., 1876 and died June 29, 1939, age 62 years, 8 months. From early life she was a devoted member of Landmark Baptist church. She was a good wife, and devoted mother. She was a kind and helpful neighbor. We feel she is not dead, but gone to live with Jesus.

Hampton Monroe Brown was born Sept. 6, 1862 and died July 2, 1939, age 76 years, 9 months, 26 days. He joined Obids Baptist church in 1907 and lived a faithful Christian life. He was a kind husband and father; always loyal to his family and friends; always ready to lend a helping hand to any one in need. We feel our loss in his gain.

Thomas Calvin Marsh was born 1859 and died Nov. 25,,1938, age 81 years, 6 months, 21 days. He joined Friendship Baptist church in early life and in later years moved his letter to Welcome Home Baptist church where he lived a faithful member until death. Weep not for him children, for we feel that our loss is his eternal gain.

Zilpha Jones was born Jan. 15, 1861 and died May 25, 1939, age 78 years, 4 months, 10 days. She professed a hope in Christ in early life, later joined Big Laural Baptist church where she lived a faithful member, until death.

Oh Mother how we miss you. We long to see your face. We know that Jesus loved you and prepared for you a sweet place.

In Memoriam

CLAUD BLEVINS
CLIFFORD RAY
JOCIL (FAW) COMBS
CHARLES HURLEY
NANCY PORTER
MARY HURLEY
AVERY OLIVER
ELIZABETH HAYNES
MRS. JONES FAW
EMMIT PENNINGTON
MRS. ROSE CAMPBELL
LIZZIE HOUCK

Printed as submitted by committee,

TABLE 1. CHURCH MEMBERSHIP, ETC. ASHE ASSOCIATION — YEAR ENDING AUGUST 1939

CHURCHES, PASTORS AND POST OFFICES	Town, Village or Country Church	When Constituted?	Days of Meeting	Members Reported Last Year	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP GAINS: Baptisms	Letters	Statements	Restorations	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP LOSSES: Letters	Exclusions	Erasures	Deaths	Total Present Members	Revival Meetings Held	Lord's Supper	Families Receiving State Baptist Paper	Weekly Prayer Meetings
Apple Grove—A. P. Howell, Whitetop, Va.	C	1889	2		1							1					
Bald Mountain—Grady Hamby, Blowing Rock	C	1910	1	107	4	2		2		4		1	110	1	1	1	No
Baptist Home	C																
Beaver Creek—H. M. Winkler, Todd	C	1890	4	76	5				7			1	73	1	1		Yes
Bethel—Levi Green, Deep Gap	C	1851	2	59	15	2							76	2	1		Yes
Big Flatts—G. C. Burkett, Jefferson	C	1905	4	72	8	3		1	1				83	1	1		Yes
Big Laurel—J. R. Trivett, Mabel	C	1880	1	50								1	49	1	1		No
Bristol—E. Z. Sexton, Lansing	C	1928	2	76					1	1		1	73	1	1		No
Buffalo—Grady Hamby, Blowing Rock	C	1869	1	149	3	1			4		61		88	1	1	1	Yes
Blue Ridge	C		2	94	15	7	1		1				116	1	1		No
Clifton—R. C. Ashley, Bina	C	1933	3	83									83			1	No
Chestnut Hill—A. C. Ashley, Warrensville	C	1928	2	42	14	1	2						59	1	1		No
Friendship—W. E. Denny, Grassy Creek	C	1880	3	156	3	1			2	1			157	1	1		Yes
Glendale—H. A. Bullis, North Wilkesboro	C	1914	3	44	25	6	1	6	6	1		1	74	1			Yes
Grassy Creek—J. R. Shumate, Sugar Grove, Va.	C	1927	3	103	1		2						106	1		6	No
Healing Springs—W. E. Denny, Grassy Creek	C	1888	1	191	16	3	2		1				211	1	1		No
Land Mark—W. E. Denny, Grassy Creek	C	1856	4	215	16				10		10	3	204	1	1	1	No

Laurel Knob—H. M. Winkler, Todd	C	1912	4	137		1			4				134		1		Yes
Liberty Grove—H. M. Winkler, Todd	C	1915	3	92	7	1			3				97	1	1		No
Liberty Hill—W. F. Barker, Silas Creek	C	1907	3	20						6			14				No
Little Helton—G. L. Denny, Grassy Creek	C	1923	2	74	16	1	1		1			2	89	2	1		Yes
Long Branch—T. A. Farmer, Lansing	C	1889	1	79	3				3				79	1	1	1	No
Mission Home—H. M. Winkler, Todd	C	1892	1	53		3			4				52		1		Yes
Mountain View—J. R. Trivett, Mabel	C	1887	3	34	3	2			3				36	1	1		No
New River—W. T. Whittington, West Jefferson	C	1885	4	119	8		1		7			1	120	1	1		Yes
Oak Hill—R. C. Ashley, Bina	C	1927	1	41	2				1		1		41	2	1		No
Obids—G. C. Burkett, Jefferson	C	1892	1	79	28	5						2	110	1	1		Yes
Old Fields—F. C. Watts, Purlear	C	1803	4	101	6	5							112	1	1		Yes
Orion—E. Z. Sexton, Lansing	C	1911	1	82	9	9	1						99	1	1		No
Pilot Mountain—H. M. Winkler, Todd	C	1889	2	90	6								96	1	1		Yes
Peak Valley—J. R. Trivett, Mabel	C	1892	4	46	1					1			46	1	1		No
Phoenix—W. E. Denny, Grassy Creek	C	1908	2	134	10			1	2			2	141	1	1	10	No
Pleasant Branch—A. C. Ashley, Warrensville	C	1931	4	37	1								38		1		No
Pleasant Hill	C																
Pleasant Home—R. C. Ashley, Bina	C	1870	4	79	1								80	1			No
Pleasant Valley—E. A. Eller, Grassy Creek	C	1926	2	69					2				67	1	1		Yes
Rock Creek—H. M. Winkler, Todd	C	1898	**	39	6	1							46	1	1		No
Sabbath Home—E. Z. Sexton, Lansing	C	1932	3	50		1			1		2		48	1	1		No
Smethport—R. C. Ashley, Bina	V	1925	1	60	7	7	2		1				75	1	1		Yes
Sturgills—E. A. Eller, Grassy Creek	C	1933	1	34		1							35	1	1		Yes
Three Fork—T. A. Farmer, Lansing	C	1835	3	99	18			1	3		1		114	1	1		No
Tuckerdale—M. D. Hart, Tuckerdale	V	1917	2	76	14	2	1						93	1	1		No
Valley Home—T. A. Farmer, Lansing	C	1916	2	144	9			1	2				152	1	1		Yes
Warrensville—R. C. Ashley, Bina	V	1929	3	80	19	2		3	4			1	99	1	1		No
West Jefferson—W. T. Whittington, W. Jefferson, full time	T	1916	*	270	10	8	4		5			3	284	1	1	20	No
Welcome Home—A. C. Ashley, Warrensville	C	1936	1	50	4				5	1	4	1	43	1	1		Yes
TOTAL				3785	316	75	18	15	84	15	79	21	4002			40	

*Full Time. **1st. & 4th.

TABLE II. SUNDAY SCHOOLS OF ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION — YEAR ENDING AUGUST 1939

CHURCHES, SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST OFFICES	Cradle Roll Under 3 Years	Beginners 3-5 Years	Primaries 6-8 Years	Juniors 9-12 Years	Intermediates 13-16 Years	Young People 17-24 Years	Adults 25 Yrs. & Up	Gen. & Departmental Officers	En. of Mission	Total Enrollment	Avg. Attendance?	Baptisms from S. S.	En. of Va. School	Avg. Attendance	No. of Depts. Vacation School
Apple Grove—Edward Dixon, Whitetop, Va.															
Bald Mountain—Byard Houck, West Jefferson	6	5	18	16	17	22	23	7		124	80	3	50	25	2
Baptist Home															
Beaver Creek—Harvey Phillips, Nettle Knob	6	6	4	7	7	8	23	4		65	28		23	15	3
Bethel—Lester Surber, Oval	10	12		14	19	19	16			90	53				
Big Flatts—H. V. Walker, Fleetwood	3	8	10	10	5	13	33	9		104	39	7	33	29	4
Big Laurel—Mattie Rupard, Hemlock	5	3	6	17	8	2	15	5		61	40				
Bristol—Worlie Testerman, Jefferson	5	10	8	12	9	12	13			69	49		23	10	1
Buffalo—W. A. Campbell, West Jefferson			14	10	15	29	24	2		94	53	3			
Blue Ridge—W. T. Beshears, Beng	13	8	14	14	13	19	32			113	60	15	65	60	6
Clifton															
Chestnut Hill—C. M. Cope, Crumpler	18			16		37	21	6		98	45				
Friendship—David Burkett, Jefferson	5	8	13	14	12	14	24	2		92	52				
Glendale—Joe Miller, Glendale		10	39	25			40	5		119					
Grassy Creek—Dewey Cox, Grassy Creek		3	3	3	10	9	29			57	33				
Healing Springs—J. F. McMillan, Crumpler		12	6	18		30	30			96	80	12			
Land Mark—G. H. Pugh, Grassy Creek											48	5			
Laurel Knob—Swanson Edwards, Todd	4	8	9	18	13	14	18			84	56		85	56	4
Liberty Grove—S. B. Howell, Fleetwood			9	10		29	29			77	45		104	45	4

Liberty Hill—S. B. Howell, Fleetwood																
Little Helton—John Davis, Grassy Creek		11		7	22	20	23			83	50					
Long Branch—Gladys Sexton, Lansing		3	5	8	6	5	5	4		36	20					
Mission Home—J. C. Green, Deep Gap	10	6	10	11	11	8	24	8		88	48					
Mountain View																
New River—Howard Brown, Crumpler		16	12	16	20		12	8		84	49					
Oak Hill—G. W. Blevins, Jefferson		19		16	13		16			64	32		35	30	2	
Obids—Arthur Hudler, Obids										68						
Old Fields—W. M. Blackburn, Brownwood	8	8	13	17	15	3	32	11	75	107	50	4	36	30	11	
Orion—Mack Dillard. Jefferson	10	9	11	12	15	8	8			73						
Pilot Mountain—A. T. Parker, Laxon		15		16	18		13			62	49		102	50	4	
Peak Valley—O. L. Elliott, Creston			5	3	14		12			38			21	18	2	
Phoenix—James Eller, Bina		10	11	19	24	29	22			115	45	9	25	20	8	
Pleasant Branch																
Pleasant Hill																
Pleasant Home—J. C. Blevins, Grassy Creek		10			12	12	22	6		82	48					
Pleasant Valley—J. C. Jones, Grassy Creek		12		7	8		12	6		45	30					
Rock Creek—Blaine Eggers, Creston				26	20	25	15			86	50	2	87	45		
Sabbath Home—Will Sexton, Lansing	12		20		15	12	10			69						
Smethport																
Sturgills																
Three Fork—Joe McCoy, Ashland											55		60	50	3	
Tuckerdale—Elmer Powers, Tuckerdale			13	12		28	18	7		78	50					
Valley Home—W. T. Jones, Toliver		12	10	5	5	20	13	6		71	65	5				
Warrensville—John Burkett, Warrensville	4	3	7	14	17	8	27			80	35		19	16	7	
West Jefferson—J. C. Goodman, West Jefferson	17	25	28	40	33	70	67	3		283	161		100	60	12	
Welcome Home—H. T. Goodman, Jefferson		10	15		14	20	20			79	50					
TOTALS	136	255	313	533	410	511	758	89	75	3034	1645	65	868	559	80	

Extension Dept.—Big Flatts, 13; Pleasant Home, 20; Total, 33. Teachers Holding Diplomas—Big Flatts, 5; Healing Springs, 4; Total, 9.

TABLE V. CHURCH PROPERTY OF ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, YEAR ENDING IN AUGUST, 1939

CHURCHES, CHURCH CLERKS AND POST OFFICES	Does Your Church Own Its House of Worship?	When Was It Built?	Materials Used	Persons Seated	Dept. Assembly Rooms	No. Separate Class Rooms	Value of Church House and Grounds	Value of Pastor's Home Church Property	Total Value All Church Property	Indebtedness on All Church Property	Insurance Carried
Apple Grove—H. A. Miller, Whitetop, Va.	Yes		Wood	200	1		$ 650		$ 650		
Bald Mountain—Gaynell Houck, W. Jefferson	Yes	1910	Wood	300	1		1300		1300		
Baptist Home											
Beaver Creek—Hayden Goodman, W. Jefferson	Yes	1900	Wood	400	1		600		600		
Bethel—R. G. Phillips, Oval	Yes	1922	Wood	300	1		3000		3000		
Big Flatts—Mary Gordon, Fleetwood	Yes	1908	Wood	200	1		1500		1500		
Big Laurel—Mattie Rupard, Hemlock	Yes	1903	Wood	200	1		1350		1350		
Bristol—Louise Proctor, Jefferson	Yes	1928	Wood	150	1		800		800		
Buffalo—W. A. Campbell, W. Jefferson	Yes	1869	Wood	250	1		1200		1200		
Blue Ridge—R. F. Johnson, Idlewild	Yes	1938	Brick	250	3	2	4000		4000		
Clifton—D. F. Shumate, Warrensville		1900	Wood	200	1		1000		1000		
Chestnut Hill—Frances Jones, Crumpler	Yes	1928	Wood	300	1		1500		1500		
Friendship—Clifford Marsh, Jefferson	Yes	1909	Wood	300	1		1600		1600		
Glendale—Elen Bowlin, Glendale	Yes	1914	Wood	200	1		1500		1500		
Grassy Creek—Mrs. F. C. Nye, Grassy Creek	Yes	1927	Wood	300	1	6	3000		3000		
Healing Springs—Mrs. L. W. Baker, Crumpler	Yes	1888	Wood	300	1	4	2500		2750	$ 25	

Land Mark—T. A. Jones, Grassy Creek	Yes	1909	Wood	300	3	3	3000		3000		
Laurel Knob—G. S. Holman, Todd	Yes	1910	Wood	200	1		200		200		
Liberty Grove—J. P. Howell, Fleetwood	Yes	1915	Wood	300	1		1400		1400		
Liberty Hill—J. H. Wagoner, Nathan's Creek	Yes	1910	Wood	300	1		482		482		
Little Helton—Zola B. Jones, Helton	Yes	1925	Wood	300	1		2000		2000		
Long Branch—J. G. Welch, Lansing	Yes	1920	Wood	300	1		1400		1400		
Mission Home—J. H. Gentry, W. Jefferson	Yes	1900	Wood	300	1		1000		1000		
Mountain View—John Coldiron, Apple Grove	Yes	1920	Wood	200	1		600		600		
New River—W. D. Brown, Weaversford	Yes		Wood	400	1		1500		1500		
Oak Hill—F. H. Shatley, Jefferson	Yes	1927	Wood	300	1		2500		2500		
Obids—Nettie McNeill, Obids	Yes	1903	Wood	400	1		2000		2000		
Old Fields—W. M. Blackburn, Brownwood	Yes	1926	Wood	400	1		4100		4100		
Orion—J. F. Dillard, Jefferson	Yes	1911	Wood	300	1	4	2500		2500		
Pilot Mountain—T. D. Watson, Laxon	Yes		Wood	200	1		600		600		
Peak Valley—Mrs. O. L. Elliott, Creston	Yes	1902	Wood	500	1		700		700		
Phoenix—Mrs. F. L. Waddell, Bina	Yes	1912	Wood	300	2	4	3000		3000		
Pleasant Branch—Blair Young, Grassy Creek	Yes		Wood	200	1		500		500		
Pleasant Hill											
Pleasant Home—T. C. Hamby, Grassy Creek	Yes	1898	Wood	300	1		2000		2000		
Pleasant Valley—Mrs. Myrtle Blevins, Grassy Creek	Yes	1926	Wood	150	1		1500		1500		
Rock Creek—Mrs. Beatrice Price, Creston	No										
Sabbath Home—Mrs. C. L. Goss, Lansing	Yes	1932	Wood	200	1		1500		1500		
Smethport—Mrs. Ola Day, Smethport	Yes	1925	Wood	250	1		550		550		
Sturgills—R. L. Dolinger, Sturgills	Yes	1933	Wood		1		1000		1000		
Three Fork—Mrs. Callie Lewis, Ashland	Yes	1897	Wood	300	1	5	1000		1000		
Tuckerdale—G. C. Jones, Tuckerdale	Yes	1916	Wood	400	1		1500		1500		
Valley Home—Millard Roark, Toliver	Yes	1916	Wood	300	1		1000		1000		
Warrensville—John Burkett, Warrensville	Yes	1929	Wood		1		1000		1000		
West Jefferson—B. F. Cook, W. Jefferson	Yes	1929	Brick	700	10	8	15700	2300	18000	475	$5000
Welcome Home—C. A. Goodman, Jefferson	Yes	1937	Wood	300	1		2000		2000		
TOTALS							$78232	$2300	$80532	$500	$5000

TABLE VI. GIFTS FOR LOCAL CHURCH WORK OF ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, AUGUST, 1939

CHURCHES, REG. TREAS.	Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help and Supplies	Buildings & Repairs	Church Debt and Interest	Incidentals	Literature for S. S. B. Y. P. U. & W. M. S.	Help Given to Local Poor	For Printing the Minutes and Clerks	Other Objects	Total for Local Purposes Given by All	Pledged to Cooperative Program
Apple Grove—H. A. Miller												
Bald Mt.—Walter Houck	150.00		23.31			25.09	15.50		2.00		215.90	
Baptist Home												
Beaver Cr.—Hayden Goodman	61.40						4.31		.75		66.46	20
Bethel—R. G. Phillips	90.00		34.45	54.29		12.38	10.00	5.23	1.50		207.85	
Big Flatts—P. H. Haire	90.82	14.50	34.65			10.01	27.00		1.50		176.98	40
Big Laurel—Earl Roten	36.55							15.00	1.00		52.55	
Bristol—Louise Proctor	20.00			69.50			5.00		1.00		95.00	
Buffalo—James Harless	150.00		17.00	57.26		4.62	11.98	7.00	3.01	58.00	308.78	24
Blue Ridge—W. S. Watson	71.04	14.00	14.50	2,500.00		6.00	12.00				2,617.94	
Clifton—D. F. Shumake									2.50		2.50	
Chestnut Hill—Mary Cope	78.50	8.00		13.00		4.95	9.59		2.00	24.00	140.04	
Friendship—T. K. Luther	108.40		20.23			4.00	14.24	25.00	3.50	28.64	204.01	
Glendale—Mr. J. E. Whitely	89.12					23.95	7.49	1.30	1.00	6.75	129.58	
Grassy Creek—Mrs. F. C. Nye	106.48		9.20	28.60		8.60	15.26	12.45	2.00	35.12	217.71	
Healing Springs—Mrs. L. W. Baker	116.83	50.00	49.70	101.00	26.00	2.78	14.84	6.00	4.41	5.75	377.31	
Landmark—T. A. Jones	64.00	30.64	15.00	17.50		35.50	12.00	6.00	5.00		179.64	
Laurel Knob—Swanson Edwards	80.00					3.00			1.50		84.50	24

Liberty Grove—J. P. Howell	140.00					6.00	10.85	10.00	1.00	3.11	174.96	20
Liberty Hill—J. H. Wagoner	21.00		6.55	62.60					1.00		91.15	10
Little Helton—Zola B. Jones	39.00		91.70	2.50		5.00	6.88	4.00	2.60		151.68	
Long Branch—J. G. Welch	44.75					10.00	5.00	10.00	2.00		71.75	40
Mission Home—Roxie Blackburn	47.88			25.00		4.00	13.00		1.50	5.20	96.58	
Mt. View—John Coldiron	30.00		30.00	50.00					1.00		101.00	
New River—W. D. Brown	75.45			5.50		4.60	16.08		3.00	15.00	119.03	
Oak Hill—Bill Kilby	35.00					35.00	3.85		1.50		75.35	
Obids—Haggie Parsons	90.00		60.00	25.00		5.00	28.00	3.00	1.00	8.00	220.00	
Old Fields—Wm. Blackburn	135.00		29.00	65.00		5.00	31.34		2.00	14.00	281.34	40
Orion—Christine Bare	95.00	40.00	15.00			39.00			2.00		191.00	
Pilot Mt.—Glenn Miller	60.00		12.97	121.00		2.85			1.50		198.40	15
Peak Valley—O. L. Elliott	28.65								1.00		29.65	
Phoenix—Mrs. F. L. Waddell	142.51	50.00	35.00	173.03		30.00	30.00	56.00	5.00		521.04	30
Pleasant Branch—Blair Young	30.00			20.00					1.00		51.00	10
Pleasant Hill												
Pleasant Home—Miss Lena Debord	60.00		27.45								97.90	10
Pleasant Valley—Myrtle Blevins	22.91		11.86			28.59	2.62		2.00		67.98	
Rock Creek—Mrs. Beatrice Price	6.00		13.65			9.00		8.00	1.00		49.54	
Sabbath Home—Mrs. C. L. Goss	60.00		15.00				4.00		1.50		80.50	
Smethport—Mrs. Ola Day	70.00			32.00	23.00	15.00		12.00	1.00		153.00	
Sturgill—R. L. Dolinger	7.00						5.83				12.83.	
Three Fork—Mrs. Callie Lewis	86.50						14.00		2.50		103.00	
Tuckerdale—W. H. Darnell	72.60	20.25		77.00			9.64	60.70	2.31	69.25	325.75	
Valley Home—Millard Roark	100.00		9.00	55.00		4.46	15.00		2.60		176.06	
Warrensville—John Burkett	125.10		45.00			70.44	24.32		2.25		267.11	30
West Jefferson—B. F. Cook	1,139.61	33.40	88.93	355.36	29.51	164.83	98.42	25.00	4.00	70.00	1,884.06	
Welcome Home—C. A. Goodman	88.50		20.00				18.00		1.50		128.00	15
TOTALS	4,486.40	252.79	728.95	3,910.64	78.51	597.41	495.96	260.68	80.23	342.79	10,864.72	328

TABLE VII. GIFTS FOR MISSIONS, EDUCATION AND ALL BENEVOLENCES, AUGUST, 1939

CHURCHES, REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES	Total to Co-operative Program	Special to State Missions	Special to Home	Special to Foreign Missions	Special to Orphanage	Special to Hospitals	Other Special Gifts	Total Given for Missions, etc, by All	Grand Total for All Purposes
Apple Grove—H. A. Miller, Whitetop, Va.									
Bald Mountain—W. L. Houck, W. Jefferson	19.00				11.00	9.00		39.00	254.90
Baptist Home									
Beaver Creek—Hayden Goodman, W. Jefferson	20.00				2.00		1.85	25.35	92.56
Bethel—R. G. Phillips, Oval				1.11	3.00	13.25	4.00	21.36	229.21
Big Flatts—P. H. Haire, Fleetwood	19.15	6.95	.50	2.00	26.80	5.71		61.11	238.09
Big Laurel—Earl Roten, Hemlock									52.55
Bristol—Louise Proctor, Jefferson									95.00
Buffalo—James Harless, Smethport	24.00				12.83	4.00		40.83	349.61
Blue Ridge									
Clifton—D. F. Shumake, Warrensville									2.50
Chestnut Hill—Mary Cope, Crumpler				5.00		71.60		16.60	156.64
Friendship—T. K. Luther, Jefferson					8.00	8.00		16.00	220.01
Glendale—Mrs. J. E. Whitely, Glendale					10.28	9.50	12.02	31.80	161.38
Grassy Creek—Mrs. F. C. Nye, Gr. Creek	15.16				6.98			22.14	239.85
Healing Springs—Mrs. L. W. Baker, Crumpler					55.35			55.35	432.66
Land Mark—T. A. Jones. Grassy Creek									179.64
Laurel Knob—Swanson Edwards, Todd	21.20					4.75		25.95	110.45
Liberty Grove—J. C. Howell, Fleetwood	20.00				12.14	5.00		37.14	212.10
Liberty Hill—J. H. Wagoner, Na. Creek									91.15

Little Helton—Zola B. Jones, Helton						5.75		5.75	157.43
Long Branch—J. G. Welch, Lansing	5.00					2.00		7.75	78.75
Mis. Home—Roxie Blackburn, Fleetwood	11.00				17.06	5.75		33.81	130.39
Mt. View—John Coldiron, Apple Grove									101.00
New River—W. D. Brown, Weaversford	12.50				24.39	1.83		38.72	157.75
Oak Hill—Bill Kilby, Bina									75.35
Obids—Haggie Parsons, Obids					30.00	15.00	15.00	60.00	280.00
Old Fields—W. M. Blackburn, Br'wood	23.17	2.05	1.60	8.00	36.95	10.75		80.12	363.86
Orion—Christine Bare, Jefferson									191.00
Pilot Mt.—Glenn Miller, Laxon		1.85			2.76	1.75		6.36	204.68
Peak Valley—Mrs. O. L. Elliott, Creston					1.00	5.50		6.50	36.15
Phoenix—Mrs. F. L. Waddell, Bina	17.00				24.50	13.00		54.50	576.04
Pleasant Branch—Blair Young, Gr. Creek									51.00
Pleasant Hill									
Pleasant Home—Lena Debord, Gr. Creek					5.00	2.00		7.00	104.90
Pleasant Val.—Mrs. Myrtle Blevins, Gr. Creek									67.98
Rock Creek—Mrs. Beatrice Price, Creston						10.00		10.00	59.54
Sabbath Home—Mrs. C. L. Goss, Lansing									80.50
Smethport—Mrs. Ola Day, Smethport									153.00
Sturgills—R. L. Dolinger, Sturgills						3.00		3.00	15.85
Three Fork—Mrs. Callie Lewis, Ashland									103.10
Tuckerdale—W. H. Darnell, Tuckerdale					5.00	5.00		10.00	335.75
Valley Home—Millard Roark, Toliver	9.00					3.30		12.30	188.36
Warrensville—John Burkett, War'ville		2.00	4.00	2.00	10.00	5.00		26.34	293.45
West Jefferson—B. F. Cook, W. Jefferson	76.03	32.00			175.60	42.53	8.72	334.88	2318.94
Wecome Home—C. A. Goodman, Jefferson						38.25		38.25	166.25
TOTALS	292.21	44.85	6.10	18.11	480.64	397.12	41.59	1127.90	9409.32

Special to Ass'nal Missions—B. Creek, $1.50; Total, $1.50. Special to Old Minister's Relief—Warrensville, $3.34; Total, $3.34.

TABLE III. Baptist Training Union and Men's Brotherhood

CHURCHES	No. Senior B. Y. P. U.'s	No. Int. B. Y. P. U.'s	Total B. A. U.'s & B. Y. P. U.'s	Seniors Enrolled	In'mediates Enrolled	Total Enrolled	No. Bible Readers	No. Taking Study Course	Total Systematic Givers In All Unions
Bald Mountain	1	1	1		30	30	5	8	
Big Flatts	1		1	20		20	3	7	20
Buffalo	1	1			22	22			
Obids	1		3	25		45	23	18	
Old Fields	1	1	2	16	16	32		11	
Phoenix	1		1	25		25		6	10
Tuckerdale		1			35	35	16		20
West Jefferson	1	1	2	18	20	38	4	6	8
Warrensville	1		1	10					
TOTAL	8	5	11	114	123	147	51	56	58

No. B. A. U.'s—Obids, 1. No. Jr. B. Y. P. U.'s—Obids, 1
Jrs. Enrolled—Obids, 20. Story Hours—W. Jefferson, 21

TABLE IV. W. M. U. Organizations And Gifts

CHURCHES PRESIDENTS OF W. M. S. & POST OFFICES	No. Mis. Societies	W. S. M. Members	Total Members	Contributions (W. M. U.)	Contributions (Missions)	Gr. Total Given by W. M. U., etc.
Big Flatts—Mrs. F. L. Houck, F'wood	1	10	18	5.50	21.45	26.95
Old. F.—Mrs. Ferry Hartsog, Idlewild	1	18	18	9.00	9.25	18.25
G. Cr. Mrs. Garvey Blevins, G. Cr.	1	16	16	38.08	4.97	43.05
Phoenix—Mrs. R. D. Mullis, Bina	1	11	11		16.00	16.00
W. J.—Mrs. Guy Badger, W. J.	1	20	50	152.80	83.65	246.45
P. Home—Mrs. John Halsey, G. C.				20.00	20.00	40.00
W'ville—Mrs. John Burkett, W'ville	1	16	16	8.00	8.00	16.00
TOTAL	6	91	129	258.38	164.32	396.70

No. Y. W. A.'s—Big Flatts, 2; W. Jefferson, 1; Total, 3. No. G. A.'s—W. Jefferson, 1; Total, 1. Total W. M. U. Or.—B. Flatts, 3; O. Fields, 1; G. Creek, 1; Phoenix, 1; W. Jefferson, 3; W'ville, 1; Total, 10. Y. W. A.'s Members—W. Jefferson, 15; Total, 15. G. A.'s Members—Big Flatts, 8; W. Jefferson, 15; Total, 23.

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DIRECTORY OF ASSOCIATION OFFICERS

Prof. J. C. Goodman, Moderator---- --West Jefferson, N. C.
H. A. Eller, Vice President ----------Bina, N. C.
Fitzhugh Barker, Clerk-Treasurer----------Lansing, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND BOARD OF MISSIONS

Ira T. Johnston, Chairman ----------Jefferson, N. C.
E. C. Eller ----------Bina, N. C.
W. T. Harless ----------West Jefferson, N. C.
G. S. Holman ----------Todd, N. C.
S. S. Graybeal ----------Creston, N. C.

STANDING COMMITTEES FOR 1941

State Missions ----------Miss Minnie Haire, Fleetwood, N. C.
Home Missions ----------Gene Lewis, Creston, N. C.
Foreign Missions ----------C. E. Howell, Todd, N. C.
Sunday Schools-------Rexford R. Campbell, W. Jefferson, N. C.
Daily Vacation Bible Schools-Miss Gertrude Graybeal, Fig, N. C.
Biblical Recorder---------Prof. F. C. Nye, Grassy Creek, N. C.
Hospital----------Rev. J. H. Gentry, West Jefferson, N. C.
Orphanage----------Rev. S. S. Graybeal, Creston, N. C.
Christian Education----------Prof. B. H. Duncan, Trade, Tenn.
Pastoral Support----------J. W. Barr, Bina, N. C.
Aged Ministers' Relief--------Paul Phipps, Grassy Creek, N. C.
Temperance----------Byard Houck, West Jefferson, N. C.
Obituaries-----Fitzhugh Barker, Lansing, N. C. and Mrs. F. L. Waddell, Bina, N. C.
B. T. U.----------Dorcus Severt, West Jefferson, N. C.
W. M. U.----------Mrs. Ralph Parsons, West Jefferson, N. C.
Laymen's Work----------R. F. Johnston, Idlewild, N. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS OF ASHE ASSOCIATION

Ashley, R. C. ---------- Bina, N. C.
Ashley, A. C. ---------- Warrensville, N. C.
Burkett, R. M. ---------- Jefferson, N. C.
Burkett, G. C. ---------- Jefferson, N. C.
Barker, W. F. ---------- Silas Creek, N. C.
Blackburn, Wiley ---------- Jefferson. N. C.
Blackburn, Gwyn ---------- Mouth of Wilson, Va.
Blevins, E. ---------- Grassy Creek, N. C.
Blevins, J. C. ---------- Grassy Creek, N. C.
Bennett, H. M. ---------- Apple Grove, N. C.
Brown, James ---------- Mountain City, Tenn.
Campbell, R. R. ---------- West Jefferson, N. C.
Campbell, J. A. ---------- Jefferson, N. C.
Cockerham, T. J. ---------- Crumpler, N. C.
Cope, C. M. ---------- West Jefferson, N. C.
Dolinger, R. L. ---------- Sturgills, N. C.
Denney, W. E. ---------- Silas Creek, N. C.
Denney, G. L. ---------- Grassy Creek, N. C.
Dennev, Jess ---------- Apple Grove, N. C.
Fller, E. A. ---------- Grassy Creek, N. C.
Eggers, Blain ---------- Creston, N. C.
Eldreth, J. W. ---------- Jefferson, N. C.
Farmer, T. A. ---------- Lansing, N. C.
Goodman, C. F. ---------- West Jefferson, N. C.
Goodman, Spencer ---------- West Jefferson, N. C.
Gentry, J. H. ---------- West Jefferson, N. C.
Graybeal, S. S. ---------- Creston, N. C.
Haire, P. H. ---------- Fleetwood, N. C.
Hart M. D. ---------- Tuckerdale, N. C.
Hurley, W. L. ---------- Crumpler, N. C.
Horn, Paul ---------- Creston, N. C.
Keller, L. N. ---------- Fleetwood, N. C.
Lewis, Harvey ---------- Ash'and, N. C.
Mullis, W. O. ---------- Jefferson, N. C.
Miller, Lee ---------- Purlear, N. C.
Osborne, Ray ---------- Fig, N. C.
Powers, Arthur ---------- Brandon, N. C.
Powers, Elmer ---------- Tuckerdale, N. C.
Parsons, C. C. ---------- Grassy Creek, N. C.
Parsons, J. M. ---------- Walsh, N. C.
Phillips, Harvey ---------- Nettle Knob, N. C.
Phillips, Eugene ---------- Toliver, N. C.
Phillips, S. E. ---------- Toliver, N. C.
Phipps, Paul ---------- Crumpler, N. C.
Reed, Green ---------- Toliver, N. C.
Sturgill, J. R. ---------- Elkton, Md.
Sexton, E. Z. ---------- Lansing, N. C.
Shepherd, D. L. ---------- Smethport, N. C.
Salmon, Thomas ---------- Smethport, N. C.
Smith, Henry ---------- Stony Fork, N. C.
Trivett, G. L. ---------- Alvarado, Va.

Trivett, J. S. ---------- Fleetwood, N. C.
Testerman, Luther ---------- Amy, N. C.
Thomas, W. R. ---------- Winston-Salem, N. C.
Vannoy, Gaither ---------- Toliver, N. C.
Whittington, W. T. ---------- West Jefferson, N. C.
Winkler, H. M. ---------- Todd, N. C.
Waddell, Lee ---------- Grassy Creek, N. C.

LIST OF MESSENGERS
ASHE ASSOCIATION

Apple Grove—Lester Greer, James Ham, H. A. Miller.
Bald Mountain—Byard Houck, W. L. Houck, Gaynell Houck.
Baptist Home—M. L. Sturgill, Gertrude Graybeal, George Lewis.
Beaver Creek—W. F. Goodman, Spencer Goodman, Harvey Phillips.
Bethel—R. G. Phillips, J. P. Goodman, C. W. Phillips.
Big Flats—Minnie Haire, Mary Jordan, Quincy Walker.
Big Laurel—Ambrose Roten, Geter Roten, Mattie Rupard.
Bristol—W. A. Johnson, Charles Mullis, Louise Proctor.
Buffalo—D. L. Shepherd, Charles Hodge, W. T. Harless.
Blue Ridge—R. F. Johnston, W. T. Beshears, W. S. Watson.
Clifton—Emory Elliott, D. F. Shumake, K. L. Eller.
Chestnut Hill—Robert Gambill, Walter Brown, Mary Cope.
Friendship—Robert Joines, Bertie Dixon, Troy Shatley.
Glendale—Gordon Severt, Mrs. J. E. Whiteley, George Miller.
Grassy Creek—Roby Walker, Wm. Halsey, Straley Livesay.
Healing Springs—C. L. Blevins, C. B. Gualtney, Sallie Baker.
Landmark—C. G. Denny, Lyda Pugh, James Hurley.
Laurel Knob—Swanson Edwards, Tom Goodman, Jr., G. S. Holman.
Liberty Grove—C. E. Howell, M. H. Goodman, S. B. Howell.
Liberty Hill—Mrs. L. D. Roupe, Mrs. Link Absher, J. H. Wagoner.
Little Helton—N. L. Cooper, Marion Cooper, John Davis.
Long Branch—J. G. Welch, James Welch, Z. R. Barr.
Mission Home—Herbert Blackburn, Blan Green, Edgar Cole.
Mountain View—H. M. Bennett, Dave Coldiron, Paul Coldiron.
New River—Gwyn Blackburn, Rosco Brown, Jim Pollard.
Oak Hill—G. Owen, Mrs. Ethel Stuart, Mrs. Belle Kirby.
Obids—E. E. Parsons, Ollie Burgess, Nettie McNeill.
Old Fields—J. E. Cheek, R. J. Hartzog, Mrs. J. R. Hartzog.
Orion—W. H. Dillard, Lee Bowers, Mack Dillard.
Pilot Mountain—A. T. Parker, W. L. Byland, T. D Watson.
Peak Valley—Tom Munday, Paul Slucer, Mrs. Queen Elliott.
Phoenix—C. A. Eller, H. A. Eller, Billy Trivett.
Pleasant Branch—W. E. Reedy, J. V. Reedy, Clyde Reedy.
Pleasant Hill
Pleasant Home—Cora Spencer, Curtis Handy, Willie Thompson.
Pleasant Valley—C. W. Phipps, E. W. Phipps, J. R. Brinegar.
Rock Creek—Ken C. Roark, Ollin Price, Tray Cornett.
Sabbath Home—Victor Goss, Mrs. Victor Goss, Mrs. C. L. Goss.
Smethport—T. W. Taylor, J. W. Day, Walter Day.
Sturgills—J. H. Blevins, J. E. Spencer, Mrs. Mary Sturgill.

Three Fork—Eugene Lewis, Chas. Lewis, Everette Lewis.
Tuckerdale—Elmer Powers, Ora Sullivan, Nannie Tucker.
Valley Home—D. R. Joines, Finley Miller, Herman Green.
Warrensville—J. H. Ashley, Ance Johnson, Arthur Childres.
West Jefferson—David Harless, Dell Goodman, Mrs. A. B. Vannoy.
Welcome Home—H. T. Goodman, Fred Marsh, Carl Goodman.

CONSTITUTION

Article 1. This body shall be called the Ashe Association.

OBJECTS

Article 2. The object of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches in more efficient work for the spread of the gospel in our bounds, and in all the world. and in this work the Association will co-operate with the Baptist State Convention.

Article 3. The membership of this body shall be all the ordained ministers of the churches of the Association, and three delegates from each church. A letter certifying their appointment and giving statistics of the membership and work of the church shall be sent to the Clerk at least fifteen days before the opening of the session.

ORGANIZATION

Article 4. At each annual session of the body there shall be elected a Moderator and Clerk and Treasurer. This election shall take place here after at the sitting of the association instead of at the close of the session, and those elected shall serve through the next session.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Article 5. The Moderator shall preside at all meetings, preserve order, appoint committees, and perform such duties as are required of presiding officers.

Article 6. The Clerk shall keep a correct record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing and distribution to the churches and the proceedings of the body.

Article 7. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds sent to the Association, to pay them out as the Association may direct, and make a report at each annual session.

TIME AND PLACE

Article 8. The Association shall hold an annual meeting at such time and place as may be agreed upon.

APPOINTMENTS

Article 9. At each annual meeting there shall be appointed an executive committee of five brethren who shall look after the destitution in the bounds of this Association, and co-operate with the State Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention, making to the next session a report of the work done and all the general State Mission work.

Article 10. Association shall convene annually on the last Friday in Aug. At each annual session and there shall be appointed committees to make reports to the ensuing session, on

the following subjects, to-wit: State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Pastoral Support, Ministerial Education, Baptist Orphanage, Biblical Recorder, Temperance, Digest Church Letter, Finance, Place and Preacher for next Association, and Baptist Hospital.

ORDER OF RELIGIOUS EXERCISES

Article 11. Each annual session shall be introduced by a sermon by some brother previously appointed.

Article 12. In addition to the introductory sermon the committee on religious exercises shall arrange at least one other sermon each day the Association is in session and all business shall be suspended while the sermon is being deliered; but no sermon shall be scheduled while the Association is engaged in a business session.

PREROGATIVES

Article 13. The Association will not retain in permanent fellowship any church that retains in its fellowship any member who is disorderly in doctrine or practice, or who makes, sells, or in any way deals in ardent spirits as a beverage.

CONSTITUTION—HOW AMENDED

Article 14. This constitution may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual session.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES

1st. We believe in one true and living God, and that there are three persons in the God-head, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, and these three are one.

2nd. We believe that the Bible, the New Testament, is the Word of God and the only rule of faith and practice.

3rd. We believe in the impotency of man and the sovereignty of God.

4th. We believe that the salvation is by Grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5th. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ to be practiced only by believers in their spiritual order.

6th. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by qualified administrators, and that those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and doctrine, should take the Lord's Supper.

7th. We believe in the final perseverance of the saints in grace to glory.

8th. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and general judgment.

9th. We believe that the existence of the righteous and the wicked will both be of eternal duration, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

RULES OF ORDER

1. Every session shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2. When the Moderator calls the house to order, every member shall at once take his seat.

3. When a member wishes to speak he shall rise and ad-

dress the Moderator, and not proceed until he is recognized.

4. No member shall speak more than twice on any subject except by permission of the body.

5. No member shall leave the body during the session without the permission of the Moderator.

6. It shall be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold private conversation while any person is speaking.

PROGRAM OF ASHE ASSOCIATION

1941 SESSION

Friday Morning, Aug. 29, 1941

9:45 Devotional_____Rev. W. F. Barker, Silas Creek, N. C.

10:00 Sermon _____Rev. H. M. Winkler, Todd, N. C.

10:30 Moderator's Period:

(a) Election of officers for next session.
(b) Reception of churches and visitors.
(c) Appointment of committees.
(d) Miscellaneous.

11:00 Period of discussion of denominational causes:
(a) Orphanage.
(b) Hospitals.
(c) State Missions.
(d) Home Missions.
(e) Foreign Missions.

12:00 Adjournment for lunch.

Friday Afternoon

1:00 Period of discussion of denominational causes. (cont.)
(a) Cooperative program.
(b) Periodicals and reading matter.

2:00 Sermon _____Rev. S. S. Graybeal, Creston, N. C.

2:30 Miscellaneous:

(a) Additional reports from churches and visitors.
(b) Announcements of homes for visitors and messengers.

3:00 Adjournment.

Friday Night

7:30 Sermon _____Rev. Gwyn Blackburn

Saturday Morning, Aug. 30, 1941

9:30 Devotional ----------Rev. E. Z. Sexton, Lansing, N. C.

9:45 Period of discussion of training activities:
(a) Sunday Schools, and Vacation Bible Schools.
(b) Baptist Training Union.
(c) Laymen's Work.
(d) Women's Missionary Union.
(e) Christian Schools.

10:45 Period of discussion of Associational Work:
(a) Report of Executive Committee.
(b) Report of pastors and delegates on progress and problems.

12:00 Adjournment for lunch.

Saturday Afternoon

1:00 Period of discussion of Ministerial Support:
(a) Pastor's salaries.
(b) Aged Ministers' Relief.

1:30 Report on Temperance and Public Morals.

1:45 Discussion of Plans for ensuing year:
(a) Pastors.
(b) Deacons.
(c) Sunday School Superintendents.
(d) Training activities.

2:15 Reports of Committees:
(a) Resolutions.
(b) Place and Preacher.
(c) Finances.

3:00 Sermon----------Rev. J. R. Shumate, Sugar Grove, Va.

Saturday Night

7:30 Sermon ----------Rev. M. D. Hart

Sunday Morning, Aug. 31, 1941

10:30 Devotional -------Rev. A. C. Ashley, Warrensville, N. C.

11:00 Sermon ----Rev. W. T. Whittington, W. Jefferson, N. C.

11:45 Miscellaneous and Adjournment.

Program

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

1940 SESSION

Friday Morning, August 30th, 1940

The Fifty-fourth Annual Session of the Ashe Missionary Baptist Association met with West Jefferson Baptist Church, August 30, 31, and September 1st, 1940.

9:45 Devotional: Rev. R. C. Ashley—32nd chapter Isiah. A, B. C, D, of Moderator period postponed until Saturday morning. 9:30 o'clock. Report on State, Home and Foreign Mission—State Missions, L. J. South; Home Missions, R. F. Johnston; Foreign Missions, A. C. Ashley.

Discussions—Rev. W. T. Whittington, Rev. W. E. Denney, Hon. Ira T. Johnston, Rev. H. M. Winkler and Brother Hogdson.

Cooperative program—Alexander.

Adjournment for lunch.

1:10 Report on Orphanage by Elmer Lee Powers. Address, Dr. I. G. Greer, Baptist Orphanage. Subject, "Humen Pottery" —Jeremiah, 18th chapter.

Report on Hospital—Dewey Cox.

Address, Dr. Smith Hagamen, Baptist Hospital. Sermon, Rev. J. F. Hogdson.

Adjournment.

Saturday, August 31, 1940

Devotional: Rev. G. C. Burkett.

Election of officers for next session: Prof. J. C. Goodman re-elected Moderator; H. A. Eller, re-elected vice-president; F. L. Barker re-elected clerk-treaturer.

Call for new churches—none responded.

Report from churches. 45 percent by letters or messengers.

Visitors—Rev. J. C. Canipe, Three Fork Association; David Morgan, Raleigh; Dr. Hagaman, Hospital; Dr. I. G. Greer, Orphanage; Rev. J. F. Hogdson, Bristol, Va.

Committee on Finance—E. C. Eller, S. S. Graybeal, Finley Miller.

To nominate Executive Board—Rev. H. M. Winkler, Rev. W. T. Whittington, Rev. R. C. Ashley.

Committee on Resolutions—Dell Goodman, Rev. W. E. Denney, Rev. G. C. Burkett.

Report on Sunday School—R. R. Campbell.

Report on Training Union—D. C. Stever.

Report on W. M. U.—Mrs. Ralph Parsons.

Report on Christian Education—F. C. Nye.

Report on Laymen's Work—David Harless.

Pageant Is Presented

Daily Vacation Bible School, Miss Gertrude Graybeal. Pageant presented by her class.

Church Conference—Discussion, H. M. Winkler.

Report on Temperance—Address, Rev. J. C. Canipe, Boone, N. C. Subject, "I Know Him"—2 Tim. 1:12.
Adjournment for Lunch.

Saturday Afternoon, August 31, 1940

Report on Ministerial Support, I. T. Johnston.
Report on Aged Ministers' Relief, G. F. Phipps. Address, David Morgan, Biblical Recorder.
On motion, by Rev. W. E. Denney, the Association passed resolution to have Association divided into districts to better general conditions in Ashe Association—all pastors with Executive Committee to meet.
Clerk authorized to put names of deceased in Minutes, giving ages, instead of having Obituaries printed.
Sermon, Rev. S. S. Graybeal—Roman 12:3.
Adjournment.

Sunday Morning, Sept. 1, 1940

Devotional.
Sermon, Rev. J. R. Shumate.
Miscellaneous and adjournment.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

All down through the years for the past century or more, State Missions have stood for, are standing for today, and will continue to stand for in the future, the things our Savior taught us to do and support.
We believe that every church in our great Association should contribute something each year, even though it be small, to State Missions.
It is not the amount in dollars and cents so much as it is the cooperating spirit of its supporters that helps this monthly cause to aim for, and even reach a higher goal.

Respectfully submitted,
R. F. JOHNSTON

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE

It is our duty as Christians to love and care for the poor, especially those who are homeless and have not the love and care of father or mother. We accept this responsibility today because Christ, in the scriptures, has taught us to. All through His life and ministry we find Jesus making provisions for the needy. "Thou, O God, hast prepared of Thy goodness for the poor"—Psalms 68:10. In John, 12:8, Jesus says, "For the poor always you have with you." From Deuteronomy, 15:11, comes these striking words: "For the poor shall never cease out of the land: therefore, I command thee, saying, "Thou shalt open thine hand wide unto thy brother, to thy poor, and to thy needy, in thy land." Paul, in referring to his fellow-workers in Christ says, "They would that we should remember the poor; the same which I also was forward to do." If the Saints, including the apostle Paul, accepted this responsibility, then certainly we as a Baptist denomination feel it also our duty. If we are true

Missionary Baptist and true to Christ we will open our hearts to these homeless, fatherless and motherless children. This is the reason for the establishment of the Baptist Orphanage.

We are glad that God inspired the hearts and minds of some of our denominational leaders to establish a home in which these boys and girls can be taught, trained and educated under the finest Christian influence.

Since the founding of the Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville, N. C., in 1885, hundreds of boys and girls have gone out from that home to active service in the great work of the Kingdom of God.

Today the capacity of this Home is overflowing with happy boys and girls. And yet, many children who need a home must be turned away because there is not sufficient room.

We will always have a responsibility in this matter of, "Training up children in the way which they should go" and "Dividing with the poor", so let us open our hearts to it, "That the poor of Thy people may eat" and offer our prayers up to God in their behalf until the time comes when "There shall be no poor."

Respectfully submitted,
ELMER LEE POWERS

TRAINING UNION REPORT

The interest in our Training activities seems to be normal. Although the need of training ourselves is more needful than ever before. Therefore, let us endeavor to increase the number of our Training Unions, also make larger Unions of those already in operation. Surely the Lord and Savior would be pleased to see all of the Churches doing something in his Kingdom work.

Respectfully submitted,
D. C. SEVERT

REPORT ON PASTORAL SUPPORT

Having been assigned the same subject I have had to report on for several past sessions of the Association, I am tempted to say, as did the preacher who preached the same sermon every Sunday, upon complaint from his congregation, "I will get me a new sermon when you have done what I say in this one."

Maybe I will add to previous reports on Pastoral Support, which the associations have adopted with unanimity, but carried out with conservatism back home in the churches, this statement, also from a preacher, which a mere layman would not dare to make, "Perhaps we preachers will get more when we earn more."

I am for adequate support of our pastors. If you are, do your part. If our people believe in their pastor, they should pay him. If they do not, they should get another. Brethren, let us pay our preachers all that they earn. Let us support them with our means, with our counsel, with our cooperation, with our

appreciation, and with our prayers. They stand in the room of the Good Shepherd.

Respectfully submitted,
IRA T. JOHNSTON

AGED MINISTERS' RELIEF

The Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention furnishes aid for the support of four aged ministers within our Association.

There is provision whereby our young ministers may obtain protection in form of insurance with the board, and I recommend that they take advantage of this security.

J. F. PHIPPS,
Chairman of Committee

HOME MISSION REPORT

Christ was a world-citizen with a world-mission. "The uttermost part of the earth" was His objective, but His homeland was the point of approach. We should follow Christ's method. If we are to have a world-wide mission it must begin in the lives of Southern Baptists.

The achievement of the Home Mission Board for the past ninety- four years have been glorious. During this period the Board has employed, individually and in co-operation with other mission agencies, 44,000 missionaries and workers for one year, or one missionary for 44.000 years. If we break this up into groups it will give 269 missionaries working every day since the Declaration of Independence was signed in 1776, down to this good hour.

These missionaries have baptized 865,000 people, which is equal to one out of every five of our total number of Church members. They have organized 8,600 churches. This is equal to one out of every three of our total number of churches. At the present time we have 371 missionaries in the field working in 756 mission stations who have distributed 29,226 Bibles, Testaments and portions of Scripture. They have led 5,250 to make professions of faith in Christ and have received into fellowship of the Church 3,835 during the last year.

The task is just begun. Instead of geographic barriers to overcome today we have racial prejudice and class distinctions. We have the foreigner in our midst who needs the ministry of the church, and the underprivileged in every section who need the helping hand of those who minister in the name of our Savior. May we take the task of Home Missions to heart and support it with all our power.

Respectfully submitted,
A. C. ASHLEY

REPORT OF W. M. U.

The W. M. U. of the Ashe Association held its annual meeting with Old Fields Baptist church May, 1940. Topic: "The Way of Missionary Education."

Greetings and response, Mrs. J. E. Cheek, Miss Minnie

Haire. Devotional by Mrs. Winnie Church. Mission study, Mrs. Winnie Church. Literature, 1 Tim. 4:13, Rev. Levi Greene. Stewardship, 1 Tim 6:17-19, Rev. Harvey Phillips. Cooperative program and 100 Thousand Club, by Mrs. Earl James personal service. Mrs. Walter Halsey. Women's M. U. Training School and Margaret Fund, by Miss Turner. Reports and roll call, four churches answered, 1 pastor of Ashe Association and one visiting pastor, Rev. G. L. Trivett.

(Pastors, please study this carefully and prayerfully and each one try to be present next meeting.)

Lunch: Young people's hour. Topic: "Building Today and Tomorrow for Christ." Devotional and inspirational address, by Rev. G. L. Trivett.

Report of young people's leader, M. M. Haire "Our Youth Steadfast for Christ," Miss Mary Currin. Report of committees, Miss Turner.

For the coming year the officers are: President. Mrs. Ralph Parsons; Vice president. Mrs. W. T. Whittington; Secretary and Treasurer. Mrs. W. M. Blackburn; Stewardship Chairman. Mrs. B. F. Reeves; Mission Study. Mrs. F. C. Nye; Personal Service Chairman. Mrs. Walter Halsey; Young People's Leader, Miss Minnie Haire.

The Association adjourned to meet with Grassy Creek Baptist church.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. W. M. BLACKBURN

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The purpose of the Baptist colleges of North Carolina is to give young men and women who come under their care such training that when they go out into the world they will be indeed Christian leaders.

The faculties of these schools are selected with the utmost care as to their intellectual and religious training and fitness. Every precaution is also taken that their students may be surrounded by a thorough clean and spiritual atmosphere.

Wake Forest for men and Meredith for women are our senior four year colleges. Mars Hill, Chowan, Campbell, Wingate and Boiling Springs, two year junior colleges give courses which enable their students to enter the junior classes of standard colleges and universities. These schools and supported by endowments, tuition fees and cooperative program contributions.

Our churches must support these institutions more liberally by their prayers, contributions, and patronage if they continue to withstand the sharp competition which they are having to endure from the state-supported colleges and universities. A denominational school should be equal to the best in scholastic standing and superior to all state institutions in moral and christian character. Our schools can greatly assist in influencing our people to support them with their patronage and money by making their schools distinctively christian.

Respectfully submitted,
F. C. NYE

LAYMEN'S WORK

No part of our churches is so poorly organized as the "laymen", and yet no part is of any more importance than the work of the laymen in the many branches of service in which we can serve.

We can organize larger and more active Sunday School classes, better prayer meeting, stir up a better interest in church attendance and assist the pastor in Evangelistic work.

We can better function these activities by organizing ourselves into clubs and meet weekly in order to plan our work.

We certainly need more consecrated and active laymen in our churches.

Respectfully submitted,
DAVID HARLESS

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

Great Sunday Schools do not happen. They are built. They are not built in a week, a month or even in a year. The same method will not fit all churches, but there are some things that must be done in order to build great Sunday Schools anywhere. There are at least five things that must be done. They are:

1. Know the people who should be in Sunday School.
2. Secure an adequate number of officers and teachers.
3. Provide adequate space.
4. Train the workers.
5. Maintain regular visitation.

Respectfully submitted,
R. R. CAMPBELL

REPORT ON PLACE FOR ASSOCIATION FOR 1941

Your committee respectfuly reports that it recommends the church at Phoenix as the place, and Rev. H. M. Winkler, to preach the introductory sermon.

IRA T. JOHNSTON, Chairman
W. T. HARLESS
E. C. ELLER
S. S. GRAYBEAL

RESOLUTIONS OF THE ASHE ASSOCIATION

Be it resolved, that we as members of the Ashe Association that we set up these aims as a goal for our next year:

1. That we keep aglow the spirit of inspiration that we have caught during this Association and that we be doers of the word and not hearers only.
2. A real spiritual revival in every church.
3. A progressive Sunday School in each church.
4. A Daily Vacation Bible School in every church.
5. A 25% increase in the number of W. M. U.'s and B. T. U.'s for the Association.

6. An offering once a month and on Thanksgiving for the Orphanage.

7. A Mother's Day offering in every church for the hospital.

8. A financial program for very church that is adequate to support the pastor, the work in the local church, and in addition, support the cooperation program in such a way that the zero's be eliminated.

Be it further resolved that this body extend its thanks to the pastor and members of the West Jefferson church for their hospitality and Christian fellowship.

Respectfully submitted,

A. D. GOODMAN

W. E. DENNY

TREASURER'S REPORT

Received from Finance Committee	$88.13
Printing Minutes	76.00
For Postage	12.00
Balance	.13

In Memoriam

MRS. MARY JONES	**DEACON J. O. GOODMAN**
MR. MILLARD ROARK	**DEACON STEPHEN WARD**
MR. JAMES LEWIS	**MRS. MATTIE TAYLOR**
MR. Z. A. GREEN	**MR. CHARLES PHIPPS**
MRS. ZILPHIA ROLAND	**MRS. MARTHA BARKER**
MR. HENRY SHATLEY	**MR. CALVIN HAMBY**
MRS. LUCY BLEVINS	**MR. ISAAC FAW**
MRS. LETHA PERKINS	**MR. G. W. BROWN**
REV. J. M. NEAVES	**MRS. JOE TYREE**
MR. ANCIL AYERS	**MRS. TYREE**
MR. LOYAL BARKER	**ELDER J. M. HAMBY**
MISS VANNIE BLEVINS	**MR. JACOB ELLER**
MRS. NETTIE GREEN	**DEACON ISHAM THOMPSON**
MRS. MINNIE MEHALA	**MRS. JAMES BARKER**
MISS FLORA LITTLE	**MISS EDNA THOMPSON**

TABLE III. BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

CHURCHES, Director Training Union and P. O.	Young People's Unions	Total Unions	Int'mediates Enrolled	Story Hrs. Enrolled	To. Unions & Story Hrs.	To. Daily Bible Readers	Total Givers
Big Flats—Mary Jorden, F'wood	1	1			19	3	10
Old F.—W. M. Blackburn, Br'wood	1	1	17	10	18		
Tuckerdale—Elmer Powers, T'dale	1	1	34			14	
Warrensville—Jno. Burkett, W'ville	1	1	25		25		
W. Jefferson—Sam Campbell, W. J.	1	4	90	9		12	20
TOTALS	5	8	166	19	62	29	30

Adult Unions—W. Jefferson, 1, Total, 1. Intermediate Unions, — W. Jefferson, 1, Total, 1. Junior Unions—W. Jefferson, 1, Total, 1. No. Taking Study Course—B g Flatts, 7, Total, 7.

TABLE IV. W. M. U. ORGANIZATIONS AND GIFTS

CHURCHES—	Mis'nary Societies	No. of G. A.'s	No. Sunbeams	To. W.M.U. Or'zations	W.M.S. Members	Y.W.A. Members	G.A.'s Members	Sunbeam Members	Total Enrolled	Total enrolled in Missions	Contributions (W.M.U.) Local	Contributions (Missions)	Gr. To. Given by W.M.U., etc.
Big Flats	1	1		2	9		13		22	6	7.80	15.70	23.50
Grassy Creek	1		1	3	16	12		8	36		.90	13.70	14.60
Old Fields	1	1	1	3	15		7	8	30	6	10.00	14.35	24.35
Phoenix	1				11				11		30.00	20.00	50.00
Warrensville	1				10				10			4.00	4.00
West Jefferson	1				20				20		7.19	52.72	59.91
TOTALS	6	2	2	8	81	12	20	16	129	12	55.89	120.47	176.36

Presidents and Post Offices—
Big Flats: Mrs. F. L. Houck. F'wood. Grassy Cr: Mrs. Garvey Blevins, Grassy Cr. O. Fields: J. R. Hartzog, Br'wood. Phoenix: Mrs. R. D. Mullis, Bina. War'ville. Mrs. Jno. Burkett, War'ville. W. Jefferson: Mrs. Basil Barr, W. Jefferson.

TABLE 1. CHURCH MEMBERSHIP, ETC. ASHE ASSOCIATION YEAR ENDING AUGUST, 1940

CHURCHES, PASTORS AND POST OFFICES	Town, Village, etc.	When Constituted?	Days of Meeting	Members Reported Last Year	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP GAINS Baptisms	Letters	Statements	Restorations	LOSSES Letters	Exclusions	Erasures	Deaths	To. Present Mem.	Revival Meetings Held	Lord's Supper	Families Receiving State Baptist Paper	W'kly Prayer Meetings
Apple Grove—A. P. Howell, Whitetop, Virginia	C	1889	1	50	6	2			2			2	54				No
Bald Mountain—M. D. Hart, Tuckerdale	C	1910	2	110	4				4	4			106		1		No
Baptist Home——S. S. Graybeal, Creston	C	1890	4	25	1	2							28		1		No
Beaver Creek—H. M. Winkler, Todd	C	1890	4	73	3	2	1		1			1	77	1	1		Yes
Bethel—Levi Green, Deep Gap	C	1851	2	76	3	2							81	1	1		Yes
Big Flatts—G. C. Burkett, Jefferson	C	1905	4	83		1			2			1	81	1	1	1	Yes
Big Laurel—J. R. Trivett, Buffalo Cove	C	1880	1	49									49	1	1		No
Bristol—R. C. Ashley, Bina	C	1928	2	69	6	2	2		1	2			76	1	1		Yes
Buffalo—W. T. Whittington, West Jefferson	C	1869	1	88		1							89	1	1		No
Blue Ridge—Levi Green, Deep Gap	C	1938	2	116		1						1	116		1		No
Clifton—R. C. Ashley, Bina	C	1933	3	83	7		1					1	90	1	1		No
Chestnut Hill—A. C. Ashley, Warrensville	C	1928	2	59	1				2			1	57	1	1		No
Friendship—W. E. Denney, Silas Creek	C	1880	3	157	10					1		2	164	1		2	No
Glendale—Kin Roark, Creston	C	1914	3	74		9			10				73	2			No
Grassy Creek—J. R. Shumate, Sugar Grove, Va.	C	1927	3	106	6		2			4			110	1	1	1	No
Healing Springs—W. E. Denny, Silas Creek	C	1888	1	211	36	1	1		14			3	232	1	1		No
Landmark—W. E. Denny, Silas Creek	C	1856	4	204	33	2		1				2	238	1	1		Yes

Laurel Knob—H. M. Winkler, Todd	C	1912	4	134	4	1							139	1	1		Yes
Liberty Grove—Levi Green, Deep Gap	C	1915	4	92					2			1	89	1	1		No
Liberty Hill—M. D. Hart, Tuckerdale	C	1907	3	14									14	1	1		No
Little Helton—A. C. Ashley, Warrensville	C	1923	4	89	1				1				89	1	1		Yes
Long Branch—M. D. Hart, Tuckerdale	C	1889	1	79	8				4			1	82	1	1	1	No
Mission Home—J. H. Gentry, West Jefferson	C	1892	1	52	22	2			2	1			73	2	1		Yes
Mountain View—C. C. Parsons, Grassy Creek	C	1887	3	36									36	1	1		No
New River—W. H. Caldwell, Independence, Va.	C	1885	3	120	13				3			3	127	1	1	1	Yes
Oak Hill—R. C. Ashley, Bina	C	1927	1	41		10				2		1	48	1	1		No
Obids—G. C. Burkett, Jefferson	C	1892	3	110					1			3	106				No
Old Fields—Finley C. Watts, Purlear	C	1803	4	112				1	2				111	1	1		No
Orion—E. Z. Sexton, Lansing	C	1911	1	99	3								102	1	1		No
Pilot Mountain—H. M. Winkler, Todd	C	1889	2	90					2		5	1	82	1	1		No
Peak Valley—H. M. Winkler, Todd	C	1892	1	46	4		2					2	50	1	1		No
Phoenix—W. E. Denny, Silas Creek	C	1908	2	141	2				4			2	137	1	1	5	No
Pleasant Branch—A. C. Ashley, Warrensville	C	1931	4	36					2				34		1		No
Pleasant Hill	C																
Pleasant Home—R. C. Ashley, Bina	C	1870	4	80	10	2			7			1	82	1	1		No
Pleasant Valley—G. L. Denny, Grassy Creek	C	1926	2	67	2						1		68	1	1		No
Rock Creek—H. M. Winkler, Todd	C	1898	1	46			5						51	1	1	1	No
Sabbath Home—E. Z. Sexton, Lansing	C	1932	3	48	3		1		2		1		49	2	1		No
Smethport	V	1925	4	75	1				2		22	1	51	1	1		No
Sturgills—A. F. Miller, Whitetop, Va.	C	1933	1	34									34	1	1		No
Three Fork—T. A. Farmer, Lansing	C	1835	3	114	3				1				116		1		No
Tuckerdale—M. D. Hart, Tuckerdale	V	1917	2	93					1			1	91	1	1		No
Valley Home—T. A. Farmer, Lansing	C	1916	2	152	8	2				1			161	1	1		Yes
Warrensville—R. C. Ashley, Bina	V	1929	3	99	9	4			1			1	110	1	1		Yes
West Jefferson—W. T. Whittington, West Jefferson	T	1916	*	284	2				6				280	1	1	17	No
Welcome Home—A. C. Ashley, Warrensville	C	1936	1	42	4								46	1	1		Yes
TOTALS				4058	214	46	15	2	79	15	29	32	4179			30	

* Days of Meeting—West Jefferson, full time.

TABLE II SUNDAY SCHOOLS OF ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION — YEAR ENDING AUGUST, 1940

CHURCHES, SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST OFFICES	Cradle Roll Under 3 Yrs.	Beginners 3-5 Yrs.	Primaries 6-8 Years	Juniors 9-12 Yrs.	Intermediates 13-16 Years	Young People 17-24 Years	Adults 25 Yrs. & up	General and Depart. Officers	To. Enrollment	Avg. Attendance?	Baptisms	Enrollment of Vacation School	Avg. Attendance	No. of Depts. of Vacation School
Apple Grove														
Bald Mountain—Byard Houck, West Jefferson		9	9	11	12	15	20		78	50		50	35	3
Baptist Home—S. S. Graybeal, Creston		30		14	32		17		99	58		50	38	
Beaver Creek—Hayden Goodman, West Jefferson	6	1	7	10	8	8	20		60	30		25	20	2
Bethel—R. G. Phillips, Oval	8	8	10	9	8	12	14	9	78	35		35	30	6
Big Flatts—H. V. Walker, Fleetwood	1	7	9	11	10	12	40	12	101	37		49	32	5
Big Laurel—Mattie Rupard, Hemlock	5	7	9	10	13	10	15	4	73	54				
Bristol—Thomas Salmon, Smethport			14	12	10		23		59	35				
Buffalo—S. L. Friesland, Smethport		3	5		9	10	9	5	41	30				
Blue Ridge—W. T. Beshears, Beng	6	10	12	11	30	20	11		100	60		40	31	5
Clifton														
Chestnut Hill														
Friendship—David Burkett, Jefferson	5	12	7	10	8	14	28	2	86	48		20	19	3
Glendale—Arthur Hudler, Glendale Springs			18		12	10	25	6	71	53				
Grassy Creek—Dewey Cox, Grassy Creek		3	7	10	7	12	18		57	34	1			
Healing Springs—Frank McMillan, Crumpler		9	21	29	16	31	52	9	167	85	22	30	15	3
Landmark—Coy Barker, Grassy Creek										65	20			
Laurel Knob—Swanson Edwards, Todd		24		10	19	30	17	6	106	85		72	37	3

Liberty Grove—S. B. Howell, Todd		13	12	12		22	26		85	41					
Liberty Hill						18	22								
Little Helton—John H. Davis, Grassy Creek		8		5	20	18	22		73	35					
Long Branch—J. G. Welch, Lansing			12			12	10	4	38	20		25	16	3	
Mission Home—J. C. Green, Deep Gap	3	10	8	9	10	7	15	6	68	55		45	29	3	
Mountain View—Nola Coldiron, Apple Grove		15	4		20	15		4	58	40					
New River—Howard Brown, Crumpler		15	12	26	28	16		4	101	44		55	33		
Oak Hill—Watt Lambert, Bina		7	9	5		10			31						
Obids—Arthur Hudler, Glendale Springs						35						30	20	6	
Old Fields—W. M. Blackburn, Brownwood	10	10	10	15	15	3	40	9	112	48		35	25	3	
Orion—E. M. Jenkins, Jefferson			12	22	10		22		56	5	2	25	15	5	
Pilot Mountain—A. T. Parker, Laxon		12	18		35		20	6	91	40		67	35	4	
Peak Valley—Oscar Elliott, Creston		5		4		13	9	4	25	20					
Phoenix—James C. Eller, Bina	3	11	10	9	12	10	33	10	98	50	2				
Pleasant Branch															
Pleasant Hill															
Pleasant Home—J. C. Blevins, Grassy Creek		10		12	12	20	20		74	40	10	75	40	7	
Pleasant Valley—J. C. Jones, Grassy Creek		14		12	20		31	7	84	50					
Rock Creek—James Poller, Creston	5	5	10	10	10	4	10	6	60	35		60	40	4	
Sabbath Home—Will Sexton, Lansing		12	15		20		18	5	70	65		26	26	2	
Smethport															
Sturgills—W. W. Weaver, Sturgills		5	6		14	10			35	30					
Three Fork—Eugene Lewis, Ashland									50	50		30	28	3	
Tuckerdale—Barnie Parsons, Tuckerdale		19	12		19	13		6	69	40					
Valley Home—W. T. A. Jones, Toliver		12	10	8	25	18		5	78	75	8				
Warrensville—John M. Burkett, Warrensville		4	8	10	10	12	25		79	35					
West Jefferson—J. C. Goodman, West Jefferson	18	16	22	37	25	47	45	11	221	128		81	64	7	
Welcome Home—H. T. Goodman, Jefferson		6	8	10	10	8	14		36	35		30	22	14	
TOTALS		332	326	353	509	460	691	142	2825	1740	65	955	650	94	

Teachers Holding Diplomas—Healing Springs, 4.

TABLE V. CHURCH PROPERTY OF ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, YEAR ENDING AUGUST, 1940

CHURCHES, CHURCH CLERKS AND POST OFFICES	When Built?	Materials Used	Persons Seated	No. of Rooms	Dept. Ass'bly Rooms	No. Sep. Class Rooms	Value of Church House & Grounds	Value of Pastor's Home	Ins. Carried	Does Church Own Its House
Apple Grove—H. A. Miller, Whitetop, Va.	1888	Wood	80	1			$ 650			Yes
Bald Mountain—Gaynell Houck, West Jefferson	1910	Wood	300	1	6		1,300			Yes
Baptist Home—W. R. Brown, Parker	1896	Wood	300	1		4	1,000			Yes
Beaver Creek—Hayden Goodman, West Jefferson	1900	Wood	400	1			600			Yes
Bethel—R. G. Phillips, Oval	1922	Wood	300	1			3,000			Yes
Big Flatts—Mary Jordan, Fleetwood	1908	Wood	200	1			1,500			Yes
Big Laurel—Mattie Rupard, Hemlock	1903	Wood	200	1			1,350			Yes
Bristol—Louise Proctor, Jefferson	1928	Wood	150	1			800			Yes
Buffalo—S. L. Friesland, Smethport	1869	Wood	250	1			1,200			Yes
Blue Ridge—R. F. Johnston, Beng	1938	Brick	250	3	3	3	4,000			Yes
Clifton—D. F. Shumate, Warrensville	1903	Wood	250	1			1.000			Yes
Chestnut Hill—Lee Jones, Crumpler	1928	Wood	300	1			1,500			Yes
Friendship—Clifford Marsh, Jefferson	1909	Wood	300	1			1,600			Yes
Glendale—Ellen Bowlin, Glendale Springs	1914	Wood	200	1			1,500			Yes
Grassy Creek—Mrs. F. C. Nye, Grassy Creek	1927	Wood	300	1			3,000			Yes
Healing Springs—Mrs. L. W. Baker, Crumpler	1888	Wood	500	3	4	4	2,500			Yes

Landmark—T. A. Jones, Silas Creek	1909	Wood	300	3			3,000			Yes
Laurel Knob—G. S. Holman, Todd	1910	Wood	200	1			500			Yes
Liberty Grove—J. P. Howell, Fleetwood	1915	Wood	300	1			1,600			Yes
Liberty Hill—J. H. Wagoner, Nathan's Creek	1910	Wood	300	1			482			Yes
Little Helton—Marion Cooper, Helton	1925	Wood	300	1			2,000			Yes
Long Branch—J. G. Welch, Lansing	1920	Wood	300	1	1	1	1,250			Yes
Mission Home—J. F. Blackburn, Fleetwood	1900	Wood	300	1			1,000			Yes
Mountain View—Nola Coldiron, Apple Grove	1920	Wood	200	1			600			Yes
New River—W. D. Brown, Crumpler		Wood	400	1			1,500			Yes
Oak Hill—Mrs. Bell Kilby, Bina	1927	Wood	200	1			2,500			Yes
Obids—Nettie McNeill, Obids	1903	Wood	400	1			2,000			Yes
Old Fields—W. M. Blackburn, Brownwood	1926	Wood	400	1			4,000			Yes
Orion—J. F. Dillard, Jefferson	1911	Wood	300	1	4		2,500			Yes
Pilot Mountain—T. D. Watson, Laxon	1889	Wood	200	1			600			Yes
Peak Valley—Mrs. O. L. Elliott, Creston	1902	Wood	500	1			700			Yes
Phoenix—Mrs. F. L. Waddell, Bina	1912	Wood	300	2	4		3 000			Yes
Pleasant Branch—Blair Young, Grassy Creek		Wood	200	1			500			Yes
Pleasant Hill										
Pleasant Home—Mrs. Ala Halsey, Grassy Creek	1898	Wood					2,000			Yes
Pleasant Valley—Mrs. Myrtle Blevins, Grassy Creek	1926	Wood	150	1			1,500			Yes
Rock Creek—Beatrice Price, Creston										No
Sabbath Home—Mrs. C. L. Goss, Lansing	1923	Wood	200	1			1,500			Yes
Smethport—Ola Day, Smethport		Wood	250	1			500			Yes
Sturgills—R. L. Dolinger, Sturgills	1933	Wood	250	1			500			Yes
Three Fork—Callie Lewis, Ashland	1897	Wood	300	1		5	1,000			Yes
Tuckerdale—G. C. Jones, Tuckerdale	1917	Wood	300	1			1,500			Yes
Valley Home—Millard Roark, Toliver	1916	Wood	300	1			1,000			Yes
Warrensville—John M. Burkett, Warrensville	1929	Wood	200	1			1,000			Yes
West Jefferson—B. F. Cook, West Jefferson	1929	Brick	700	10		8	15,000	$3000	$6000	Yes
Welcome Home—C. A. Goodman, Jefferson	1936	Wood	300	1			2,000			Yes
TOTAL							$81,282	$3000	$6000	

TABLE VI. GIFTS FOR LOCAL CHURCH WORK OF ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, AUGUST, 1940

CHURCHES, REG. TREAS.	Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building & Repairs	Incidentals	Literature for Sun. School, etc	Help Given to Local Poor	Printing & Clerk's Salary	Other Objects	Total Given for Local Purposes
Apple Grove—H. A. Miller	5.60							1.50	25.00	32.10
Bald Mountain—Walter Houck	125.25	25.00			5.00	11.56		1.50	29.50	196.31
Baptist Home—W. R. Brown	40.00			8.00		13.28		1.00		62.28
Beaver Creek—Hayden Goodman	74.20					5.65		1.76		81.61
Bethel—R. G. Phillips	77.24		30.00		10.00	9.00		1.20		127.54
Big Flatts—Rev. P. H. Hair	82.04	31.62	16.50	48.00	6.20	25.30	5.30	1.50	10.00	224.96
Big Laurel—Earl Roten	57.00				2.00	6.00		1.00		66 00
Bristol—Louise Proctor	38.50		4.50	15.75	4.50			1.65		64.30
Buffalo—James Harless	112.60		31.50		12.75	14.97	8.00	2.65		179.82
Blue Ridge—M. S. Watson	34.04				7.70	14.19		2.50		58.43
Clifton—D. F. Shumake	52.00							2.50		54.50
Chestnut Hill—Mary Cope	48.15		10.00	33.66	6.68	5.00		1.50		105.00
Friendship—T. K. Luther	103.00		24.00		3.00	17.18		2.90	8.20	158.28
Glendale—Mrs. J. E. Whiteley	25.50		9.50		10.94	2.74	1.40	1.00		51.08
Grassy Creek—Mrs. F. C. Nye	120.74		45.00		10.05	13.99		2.00	5.00	196.78
Healing Springs—Mrs. L. W. Baker	108.05	5.52	46.16	20.00	24.32	27.92		5.00	4.27	248.43
Landmark—T. A. Jones	58.14		37.83	25.00	20.76	14.85		5.00		161.58

Laurel Knob—Swanson Edwards	81.00			218.78	3.00	20.00		1.50		418.56
Liberty Grove—C. E. Howell	132.00		20.00	200.00	6.00	14.00	15.00	1.00		388.00
Liberty Hill—J. H. Wagoner								1.40		1.40
Little Helton—Marion Cooper	54.40		6.52		5.00	14.00		2.50		82.42
Long Branch—J. G. Welch	42.00		40.00		10.00	4.50	5.00	2.00		103.50
Mission Home—Roxie Blackburn	61.49		33.86		21.66	10.47		2.07	3.00	132.55
Mountain View—John Coldiron	29.00		10.00			3.50		1.00		43.50
New River—W. D. Brown	77.61	10.00	22.56	69.27	24.06	16.53	6.00	3.00		229.03
Oak Hill—Mrs. Belle Kilby	40.00		10.00			2.14		1.00	7.00	61.14
Obids—Hege Parsons	30.00		18.00		11.00		24.00			84.00
Old Fields—W. M. Blackburn	165.00		30.00	400.00	10.00	35.00		1.50	4.00	645.50
Orion—Christine Bare	100.00	11.00			20.00			2.00		133.00
Pilot Mountain—Glenn Miller	71.20				2.00	4.75		1.50		79.46
Peak Valley—Mrs. O. L. Elliott	45.00							1.00		46.00
Phoenix—Mrs. F. L. Waddell	176.00	22.00	54.83	109.25	30.00	25.00	50.00	5.00		472.08
Pleasant Branch—Blair Young	30.00	14.00		16.00				1.00		51.00
Pleasant Hill										
Pleasant Home—Tena Deboard	74.18			55.00		9.00		2.50		140.68
Pleasant Valley—Myrtle Blevins	23.41		12.00	11.00	9.61	5.83		2.00		63.85
Rock Creek—Beatrice Price	72.37					3.00	15.00	2.50		92.87
Sabbath Home—Mrs. C. L. Goss	50.00	25.00				5.30		1.50		81.80
Smethport—Ola Day	7.00		1.80						4.00	12.00
Sturgills—J. E. Spencer	15.00		10.00	22.50	3.25	6.68				57.43
Three Fork—Callie Lewis	60.00					14.00		3.00		77.00
Tuckerdale—W. H. Darnell	50.49		13.75		12.86	13.38		3.00	27.20	117.68
Valley Home—Millard Roark	115.73		25.00		5.00	15.00	14.40	3.00		179.13
Warrensville—John M. Burkett	140.00		65.00	110.00	3.00	26.00	2.50	3.00		385.50
West Jefferson—B. F. Cook	1192.15		60.00	214.99	149.30	109.32		4.00		1785.40
Welcome Home—C. A. Goodman	68.82		15.00							83.52
TOTALS	4167.80	144.14	703.31	1577.20	449.64	538.98	146.60	88.13	127.17	8107.00

Church Debt & Interest—Healing Sp'gs, $6.73; W. Jefferson, $5.64.

TABLE VII. GIFTS FOR MISSIONS, EDUCATION AND ALL BENEVOLENCES, AUGUST, 1940

CHURCHES, REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES	To. to Co-op. Program	Special to State Missions	Special to Home Missions	Special to For. Missions	Special to Orphanages	Special to Hospitals	To. Given for Missions, etc.	Grand Total, All Purposes
Apple Grove—H. A. Miller, Whitetop, Va.								32.10
Bald Mountain—Walter Houck, West Jefferson	2.00				5.00	5.00	12.00	208.31
Baptist Home—W. R. Brown, Parker						5.30	5.30	67.58
Beaver Creek—Hayden Goodman, West Jefferson	10.75				2.15	1.00	14.90	96.51
Bethel—Will Phillips, Oval		1.10				6.17	7.27	134.81
Big Flatts—Rev. P. H. Hair, Fleetwood	18.50	1.65	7.50	2.00	28.74	13.63	71.42	296.38
Big Laurel—Earl Roten, Hemlock								66.00
Bristol—Louise Proctor, Jefferson						4.95	4.95	69.25
Buffalo—James Harless, Smethport	16.00				15.00	6.50	37.50	217.32
Blue Ridge—W. S. Watson, Beng						10.39	10.39	68.86
Clifton—D. F. Shumake, Warrensville						3.07	3.07	57.57
Chestnut Hill—Mary Cope, Crumpler						10.00	10.00	115.00
Friendship—T. K. Luther, Jefferson					4.35	22.05	26.40	184.68
Gendale—Mrs. J. E. Whitely, Glendale Springs					6.50	10.02	16.52	67.60
Grassy Creek—Mrs. F. C. Nye, Grassy Creek	39.36				11.55	16.38	67.29	264 07
Healing Springs—Mrs. L. W. Baker, Crumpler					17.19	7.55	24.74	273.17
Landmark—T. A. Jones, Silas Creek					3.38	6.16	9.54	171.12
Laurel Knob—Swanson Edwards, Todd	17.70				4.00		21.70	440.26

Liberty Grove—C. E. Howell, Todd	20.00				5.00	3.50	28.50	416.50
Liberty Hill—J. H. Wagoner, Nathan's Creek								1.40
Little Helton—Marion Cooper, Helton						11.60	11.60	94.02
Long Branch—J. G. Welch, Lansing						61.50	61.50	165.00
Mission Home—Roxie Blackburn, Fleetwood		2.65	2.66	5.85	45.40		56.56	189.11
Mountain View—John Coldiron, Apple Grove								43.50
New River—W. D. Brown, Crumpler	10.54				14.50	3.00	28.04	257.07
Oak Hill—Mrs. Belle Kilby, Bina								61.14
Obids—Hege Persons, Obids					50.00	10.00	60.00	144.00
Old Fields,—W. M. Blackburn, Brownwood	23.00	2.00	4.90	6.65	28.00	7.00	71.55	717.11
Orion—Christine Bare, Jefferson					8.50		8.50	138.50
Pilot Mountain—Glenn Miller, Laxon					7.00	4.00	11.00	90.46
Peak Valley—Mrs. O. L. Elliott, Creston				2.30		4.30	6.60	51.60
Phoenix—Mrs. F. L. Waddell, Bina	30.00				20.24	15.00	50.24	522.32
Pleasant Branch—Blair Young, Grassy Creek								51.00
Pleasant Hill								
Pleasant Home—Tena Deboard, Grassy Creek	10.00				9.00	1.00	20.00	160.68
Pleasant Valley—Myrtle Blevins, Grassy Creek						4.00	4.00	67.85
Rock Creek—Beatrice Price. Creston	12.00				5.00	10.00	27.00	119.87
Sabbath Home—Mrs. C. L. Goss, Lansing						2.80	2.80	84.60
Smethport—Ola Day, Smethport								12.00
Sturgills—J. E. Spencer, Sturgills								58.43
Three Fork—Callie Lewis, Ashland					35.00	8.80	43.80	117.80
Tuckerdale—W. H. Darnell, Tuckerdale					4.00	7.00	11.00	128.68
Valley Home—Millard Roark, Toliver	11.38				10.00	20.00	41.38	217.57
Warrensville—John M. Burkett, Warrensville			2.00	2.00	6.00		10.00	395.50
West Jefferson—B. F. Cook, West Jefferson	92.45	8.00	24.00	3.00	130.39	34.34	355.71	2141.17
Welcome Home—C. A. Goodman, Jefferson						10.72	10.72	94.24
TOTALS	313.68	15.40	41.06	21.80	455.89	345.15	1263.49	9981.71

Special to Associational Missions—W. Jefferson, $3. Total, $3.
Special to Old Ministers' Relief, Beaver Creek, $1. Total, $1.